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# Tripartite Mediation In Finland?

## Rome Story Of Efforts At Stockholm

### EX-FINNISH PRESIDENT AT RENDEZVOUS

### Mannerheim To Join Delegates From Russia, Sweden And Germany

LONDON, Mar. 7.

**ACCORDING TO THE ROME RADIO, WHICH REPORTS CONSIDERABLE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY IN STOCKHOLM AND HELSINKI. IT IS BELIEVED THAT RUSSIA, SWEDEN AND GERMANY ARE WORKING ON A PLAN FOR MEDIATION IN THE FINNISH WAR.**

**Mannerheim To Join Meeting**

**DELEGATES OF THE THREE COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO BE JOINED BY FIELD MARSHAL MANNERHEIM AND M. BIECHER, IT WAS ADDED.**

LONDON: According to reports from Stockholm, it is now confirmed that M. Paasikivi, and the former President of Finland have arrived in Stockholm, but there is no confirmation of reports that they are to take part in peace negotiations.

**Soviet Use Estonian Islands As Base**

STOCKHOLM:—Attacks by Soviet infantry and mechanised units across the ice of the Gulf of Finland are being launched from the port of Baltiski and the islands of Saaewmaa and Hiiumaa, all of which Russia leased from Estonia as well as from the islands held by Russia in the Gulf.

No serious thaw is expected before the beginning of May and until then the sea, lakes and marshes are usable by mechanised units. Snow which seemed imminent a few days ago, has not set in sufficiently to materially aid the Finns.

**Easy Target For Finns**

HELSINKI:

Strong Soviet infantry detachments advancing across the Bay provided an easy target for Finnish artillery and aviation. Russian planes made desperate but unsuccessful efforts to drive off repeated attacks of the Finnish Air Force. At all points where the Russians reached the coast, they were driven off with the exception of two localities—Vibanlahti and Kashashtnami

Several dozen Russian tanks were destroyed in heavy fighting in Pollakala, District between the Bay of Viipuri and Vuoksen.

ON KARELIAN ISTHMUS

A Finnish War Communique states that in the western part of the Karelian Isthmus Russians made a violent attack against the north-west coast of Viipuri Bay. The fighting still continues for possession of Islands in this region in the neck of the Gulf of Viipuri. Enemy detachments which advanced on the ice, suffered heavy losses as a result of Finnish gunfire and more than thirty tanks were destroyed.

FINNISH TROOPS REPULSED

Between the Bay of Viipuri and Voukshi Finnish troops were repulsed, a local attack destroying seventeen tanks. At Taipale an enemy attack prepared by prolonged artillery was repulsed.

North of Lake Ladoga the enemy attacked in Pitkaranta and Archipelago and took a few islands occupied by Finns.

### *RUSSIA'S SUPPOSED PEACE TERMS*

STOCKHOLM, March 7.

Though official confirmation is lacking reports from usually reliable sources insist that negotiations are progressing between Finnish, Swedish, German and Russian delegates.

Preliminary talks for an armistice are believed to have been going on for some days, although the Swedish Foreign Office, which is reported to be acting as the Chief Mediator will neither confirm nor deny the reports.

Germany's part in the negotiations is apparently being played by the Nazi Press Chief, Dietrich, who flew here for a secret one day visit. Another arrival, whose name is being coupled with the prevailing rumours is Paasikivi, who conducted negotiations with the Soviets before the war.

According to one version, the present negotiations are being conducted on the basis of Russian demands for cession of Karelian Isthmus, Lake Ladoga and the territory north thereof, a section of Lapland including Petsamo and Port Hangoe.

### *More Far-reaching Russian Demands*

LONDON, March 7.

According to a Helsinki telegram, an official bulletin has been issued there stating that from information in the possession of the Finnish Government, the Soviet Government is believed to have planned the presentation of demands to Finland more far-reaching than those of last autumn.

## Br. Fighters Engage Nazi Planes On England's Coast

### French Remove Mail Bags From Japanese Liner

LONDON, March 7.

British fighters engaged two German planes off the east coast of England this evening. Onlookers saw one raider almost collide with the British fighter before climbing into the clouds where a dog fight followed. The second raider then appeared with two British planes in close pursuit. Three other British planes also arrived on the scene and the raider was driven out to sea with fighters in chase.

NAZI PLANE SHOT DOWN

The Air Ministry announced that an R. A. F. fighter shot down an enemy aircraft over the north-east coast of Scotland early this afternoon.

It is learned that the plane shot down was a Heinkel and was shot down by Spitfires from a height of more than five miles above the sea, east of Aberdeen. Spitfires—one pilot is a New Zealander—attacked in turns as the enemy dived. The Heinkel, out of action, landed on water and the Spitfires circled about for five minutes until the Heinkel sank.

An enemy plane—thought to be the one shot down—passed over Aberdeenshire at a great height early in the afternoon. Anti-aircraft guns opened fire and fighters took off.

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Count Ciano and Mr. Sumner Welles, while the latter visited Rome last week.

## Search Of Mails Stiffens U. S. Neutrality

### *AMBASSADOR KENNEDY ON ISOLATIONIST POLICY: WELLES MEETS LEBRUN AND DALADIER*

LONDON, March 7.

Ambassador Mr. Joseph Kennedy, in an interview on his return from America, said: "If isolation means a desire to keep out of the war, I should say that it is definitely stronger now in America. I think very definitely that this feeling of isolation has increased by the examination of mails and the stopping of ships. Such things as the sinking of neutral ships makes an impression on American minds, but does not make America want to go to war."

Asked if there was any sign of war boom in the United States, Mr. Kennedy replied. "The idea that America is standing on sidelines and is getting a lot of money is nonsense. Dislocation of trade and business is a very severe thing."

**Sumner Welles In Paris**

PARIS, March 7.

Mr. Sumner Welles received British and American newspapermen shortly after his arrival in Paris from Switzerland. He hopes to stay in Paris until Sunday and then he will fly to London. He will probably spend a few hours in Paris before going back to Rome.

The United States Ambassador in London, Mr. Joseph Kennedy met Mr. Welles in Paris and it is understood he returned to London to-day.

Mr. Sumner Welles had talks to-night with M. Lebrun and M. Daladier.

The visit to the President was no brief courtesy call for Mr. Welles arrived fifteen minutes ahead of schedule, before preparations for his reception were complete, and stayed over an hour.

He drove immediately to the Ministry of War and talked with M. Daladier for an hour and forty minutes.

### *STRIKE MAY SPREAD TO OTHER INDUSTRIES*

BOMBAY, Thursday.

An appeal has been made to the Governor to intervene in the Textile Strike by Mr. D. K. Jagtap, Textile Workers' representative in the Bombay Legislative Assembly and Mr. J. S. Savant, a labour leader.

To-day is the fourth dav of the strike and was declared a holiday by Millowners as it is Maha Shivratri, picketing continued at all the Mills. The workers were seen going to the sea-side or to temples all the day.

Mr. N. M. Joshi's visit to Bombay (to-morrow) has roused the hope in certain quarters that a happy solution will be found out of the present impasse. This hope is not shared by the millowners who seem to consider that they have said the last word.

CONGRESS STAND.

It is now learnt that the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will not interfere unless both the parties show their desire for such mediation.

**Meanwhile the Council of Action of the Girni Kamgar Union has formally intimated to the strikers not to receive their February wages, which are due to be paid on Saturday.**

A meeting of strikers was held in Madanpura at which Mr. Mohamed Shahid, Vice-President of the Girni Kamgar Union, presided. He told the gathering to hold on courageously.

**It is believed that if the strike is not ended soon enough, it may extend to other industries also, involving about four lakhs of work people in Bombay.**

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## Jaiprakash Arrested

### Secretary Of Congress Socialist Party

PATNA, March 7.

Mr. Jaiprakash Narain, General Secretary of the Congress Socialist Party, was arrested at Patna this afternoon on account, it is alleged, of a speech which he delivered at Jamshedpur a few days ago.

The speech, it is alleged, came within the purview of the Defence of India Rules.

It is understood that Mr. Narain is being taken to Jamshedpur to appear before the local Sub-Divisional Officer on March 13.—A. P.

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### MAHATMA'S RAMGARH PROGRAMME

RAMGARH, March 7.

Mahatma Gandhi, according to the present plan, arrives here on the morning of March 10 next to open the Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition at Mazharpuri in the afternoon.

From here, it is understood, he will go on a short visit to Ranchi and stay there for a couple of days.

Mahatmaji wires to Mr. Sondhi, Publicity Officer of the Ramgarh Congress, who is editing the Congress souvenir volume, hoping that the publication will be instructive and useful.

**WHEN AZAD ARRIVES AT RAMGARH**

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, President-elect of the ensuing session of the Congress, is arriving here on March 15. He will be taken in a big procession on arrival.—United Press.

### *JAWAHARLAL'S TOUR PROGRAMME*

ALLAHABAD, March 7.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru left for Jaunpur to-day by car, to address a meeting there. He will be returning to-night and will leave for Lucknow to-morrow night to attend the meeting of the Council of the U.P.C.C. there on March 9.

Pandit Nehru accompanied by Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit and Mr. R. S. Pandit will leave for Patna on March 12, from where he will go to Gaya on a tour of Chota Nagpur, before proceeding to Ramgarh for the Congress.—A. P.

### Rajen Babu And Bose For Ramgarh

PATNA, March 7.

Babu Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, left by car for Ramgarh yesterday.

RANCHI, March 7.—Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose arrives here tomorrow and proceeds to Ramgarh the same day. He is expected to stay at Ramgarh till the session of the All-India Anti-Compromise Conference is over.—United Press.

### Frontier Ready For Any Eventuality, Says Dr. Khan Saheb

PESHAWAR, March 7.

It is understood that owing to pressing engagements at home, Dr. Khan Sahib, ex-Premier, will not be able to attend the Ramgarh Session.

Endorsing the Patna resolution Dr. Khan Sahib said: "The Frontier is ready for any eventuality that may be decided upon by the All-India Congress. We are the ready workers of the country and in case of any emergency, we will not fail."

Dr. Khan Sahib added "Negotiations are still in progress and the door has not yet been fully slammed. If, however, the Government and the Congress decide to launch a struggle we shall fling ourselves into it with all strength. We shall leave our future in the hands of God, trusting in Divine justice.—A. P.

*BRITISH BOMBERS WILL*

## *Hit Hard, Hit Often & Continue Hitting*

### Greatest Effort Being Made For Large-Scale Production And Training Of Crew

LONDON, March 7.

**IN THE House of Commons Sir Kingsley Wood, speaking on Air Estimates, said that for reasons of security the amount of the estimates would not be disclosed.**

**UNPRECEDENTED EFFORT**

**Sir Kingsley added: "I can state that our air estimates this year are of an unprecedented character and involve by far the greatest effort and expenditure ever made by this country in any year in relation to our air defences."**

### *ONLY A PART OF FURTHER ACTION*

"I should like to say", continued the Air Minister, "that these estimates represent only a part of the further action we are taking and propose to take in conjunction with Empire Overseas and with our Allies. Our expenditure and efforts cannot be limited to this year, but they must be continued and intensified until we have achieved our fixed resolve—the establishment of mastery in the air."

ARDUOUS TASK

Sir Kingsley mentioned that the Aircraft and Bomber Commands and the British Air Forces in France had carried out night and day over one thousand sorties well into German territory. The fighters in France, great many of whom had been in action over the Siegfried Line, had taken off more than 2,000 times for patrol pursuit and combat.. Our fighters had amply proved their worth. Already without a single loss on our side they had brought down some forty German aircraft round our coasts and we knew that many more of the enemy had been forced down in neutral territory or in sea. As an illustration of the R. A. F. progress, Sir Kingsley said when introducing last year's estimates he had stated that the total strength of the R. A. F. was approaching 100,000. To-day the strength of one R. A. F. command alone had nearly reached that figure.

The units of the Coastal Command had flown more than five million miles since the outbreak of war. They had sighted submarines on more than 100 occasions and delivered more than sixty attacks. More than 700 convoys had been successfully escorted by aircratt.

Referring to co-operation with France the Air Minister said that this was of the most intimate character. There was a comprehensive scheme of pooling information and production problems were studied together and secret equipment was exchanged and new developments shared.

OVERSEAS TRAINING.

Speaking of flying training organisations overseas, Sir Kingsley said that when in full operation schools in Canada, Australia and New Zealand would produce 20,000 pilots and 30,000 air crews every year. In addition South African Government had most helpfully offered to train pilots for the R. A. F. and there would also be air schools in Rhodesia and Kenya.

Dealing with production, Sir Kingsley said every month a new plant was coming into operation, many more factories were coming into production and still more were being built.

LARGE-SCALE PRODUCTION

Future production had been

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## "GONE DOWN INTO SEA"

### *Search For Illfated 'Hannibal' Discontinued*

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The following communique has been issued:—

The search for Imperial Airways aeroplane "Hannibal', which disappeared in the Persian Gulf while on a westbound flight between Jask and Sharjah on the 1st March has now been discontinued. Search operations were commenced in the afternoon of the 1st March and from the 2nd to the 6th March continuous search of the whole of the sea and land in the vicinity has been carried out from the air and on sea. One Imperial Airways flying boat and Royal Air Force aircraft from India and Iraq as well as naval units have been engaged.

In addition, shipping and aircraft and normal service have assisted. No trace of the missing aircraft has been found and it is presumed that it has gone down into the sea. There is no longer any reason to believe that any of the passengers or crew have survived. —A. P.

### *CAROL REAFFIRMS NEUTRALITY*

BUCHAREST, March 7.

King Carol opening the new session of the Rumanian Parliament to-day reaffirmed his country's policy of neutrality.

He declared that the entire resources of the country would be placed behind the Government as a supreme guarantee of Rumania's independence and the integrity of her frontiers.

In reference to Rumania's good relations with other powers, he made specific mention of Bulgaria and Italy.—Reuter.

### STOP PRESS

ROOSEVELT DIVORCE

LOS ANGELES, March 7.

Betsy Cushing Roosevelt obtained a divorce from James Roosevelt, son of President Roosevelt. —Reuter.

FRANCO-GERMAN PATROL ACTIVITY.

PARIS, March 7.

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## BIG STRIDES IN INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT).

**THE SPEECH OF SIR AKBAR HYDARI DELIVERED RECENTLY AT THE INAUGURATION OF THE HYDERABAD LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SESSION, DRAWING IN BROAD OUTLINES A SKETCH OF SEVERAL SCHEMES FOR THE ALL ROUND REGENERATION OF THE STATE, DESERVES THE ATTENTION OF ALL INTERESTED IN THE PROGRESS OF THE COUNTRY.**

The year covered by the survey was, it must be remembered, anything but a peaceful period for the State. The year witnessed the rise and fall of the Civil Disobedience movement started by the Arya Samaj and later joined by the Hindu Mahasabha. It saw hundreds of people being sent to jail entailing an extraordinary pressure on the administrative machinery of the State and a continued tension between its Hindu and Muslim subjects.

It also saw the announcement of the Reforms Scheme and the launching of Franchise and other committees to work out the details of the electoral machinery and other essentials of the actual inauguration of the new constitution.

Finally it witnessed Europe and India involved in a war conflagration whose extent and implications none can measure to-day.

**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

The year reviewed by Sir Akbar witnessed big strides in the industrial development of the State. The most important phase of the development was the erection of a sugar factory which gives direct employment to 19,000 persons and is to-day producing sugar worth Rs. 70,000 per day. The Government has invested over thirty lakhs in the factory and the population of the State is estimated to have benefited to the extent of three-quarters of a crore per year.

A similar factory to meet the State's requirements for paper is under construction and machinery for it is on the way to India. The scope of the concern can be gauged from the fact that it will have a capital of 45 lakhs out of which a substantial amount will be subscribed by the Government.

**POWER ALCOHOL**

A power alcohol factory is also being set up which will produce four lakhs of gallons of power alcohol per year which mixed with petrol is expected to meet the patrol requirement of Hyderabad.

The State sanctioned Rs. 54,000 for reviving cottage industries and various smaller industries like oil-pressing, match and cigarette manufacturing, button making, hand-spinning and weaving which either did not exist or were in a languishing condition till some years ago are in a flourishing state to-day.

**RURAL REGENERATION**

Nor was the work in the rural districts forgotten. During the year under review the State carried out construction of 308 miles of new roads in the districts costing about 40 lakhs. Another 24 lakhs were spent on building bridges and culverts. A bridge across the Krishna estimated to cost over nine lakhs is nearing completion and will help in the development of trade and agriculture in Raichur District. Metal surfacing of district roads, extending over 670 miles was undertaken during the year at a cost of Rs. 36 lakhs.

The Well Sinking Department constructed over 2,000 wells in two districts while irrigation reservoirs are being built in tracts subject to frequent failures of rain The Warangal and Gulbarga water supply schemes costing over 16 lakhs are also nearing completion.

**RLY. DEVELOPMENT**

Among the new railway schemes reaching completion during the year the most important is one for the construction of a hundred mile rail-road costing about 90 lakhs which will open, as Sir Akbar Hydari said, "the most undeveloped part of the Dominions to prosperity and trade".

**AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT**

Agricultural research, and supply of improved seeds continued as in the past year with the result that to-day over 230,000 acres of land under cotton cultivation produces a better type of cotton than was done for generations, and the profit accruing from this change alone amounts to 1 1/2 to 2 times the land revenue paid by the cultivator.

Practically every district town in the State has at least one central co-operative bank and the number of village co-operative credit societies has reached to over 3,500 with a working capital of 2 1/2 crores. This, of course, does not and cannot solve the problem of rural indebtedness. For this the State has a programme of debt conciliation and Land Mortgage Banks through which it hopes to tackle the problem. How far it succeeds in completely rescuing the agriculturist from indebtedness in this manner remains to be seen.

There is the grave danger of the Mortgage Banks replacing the money-lender and the lands instead of passing into the hands of the money-lenders as at present going under the control of the banks and therefore of big finance. The State in this respect might well copy the example of Bhavnagar and set up a machinery not only for conciliation of debt but for seeing to it that the peasants do not involve themselves in debts again.

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME**

The educational programme carried out during the past year and planned out for the future is as noteworthy as the State's activities in other nation-building departments. A five-year programme has been framed for expansion of primary education as a result of which over 500 new schools will be opened. Primary school buildings in rural areas will henceforward be constructed from the local funds and a total of 20 lakhs has been made available for the purpose at the rate of four lakhs annually, in addition to the annual cess income of about five lakhs.

Similar schemes for expansion of technical and commercial education have been sanctioned and the Osmania University is fast making the State self-supporting in the matter of supply of graduates and men for the learned professions.

## "PHYSICAL CULTURE MOVEMENT, INTEGRAL PART OF NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION"

### Hanuman Vyayam Mandal, Amraoti, Completes 25 Years

(From Our Correspondent)

AMRAOTI, By Mail.

Large crowds attended the 25th anniversary function of the Hanuman Vyayam Prasarak Mandal, Amraoti on the evening of February 25 at the Mandal's Maidan.

Shri Laxminiwas Generiwal, Jahagirdar of Hyderabad, presided. On his entering the Mandal premises, he was given a March-Past by nearly 200 boys to the tune of the Band.

The General Secretary then read out the report of the activities of the Mandal during the last year.

The Secretary further said that the immediate needs of the Mandal were an extension Hall, ground and building for the Kanya Arogya Mandir, Extension of the play grounds and the children's park. The respective expenses of which are estimated at Rs. 2,500/, 2,500/, and 4,000/. He said unless generous people make sufficient donations the Mandal would not be able to make any progress in the future.

Mr. Sambhajirao Gokhale Ex-Minister of C. P. made an introductory speech. He hoped that the District Councils and the Municipal Committees in the Central Province and Berar would come forward to help the Mandal. He appealed to them to send their men for training for a period of six or nine months in the Mandal's School and also give financial help to the Mandal in conducting the same.

After Mr. Gokhale's speech was over, the Mandal's boys and members gave a demonstration of the drills, exercises, athletics and gymnastics.

Mr. Laxminiwas Jahagirdar in the course of his address said that the movements of physical culture was an essential part of the movement of National reconstruction and renaissance.

He concluded:—

"I appeal to the rich people of the Province to come forward to help the Mandal in the furtherance of its activities."

Mr. H. V. Deshpande the General Secretary then garlanded the President and thanked him and the guests assembled after Vande Mataram was played by the band, the function came to a close.

*Sir Sultan Ahmed Says—*

## "MERE TALK IS OF NO USE"

### *Start From 'Mahalla' To Better Communal Relations*

z PATNA, March. 6.

**The leaders could afford to talk among themselves as they were not affected by the strained relations between the communities. It was the man on the street who had to bear the brunt of the strain and consequent strife observed Sir Sultan Ahmed addressing the annual meeting of the Ambeshwar Public Library at Patna City.**

**Sir Sultan appealed to the gathering to start a campaign forthwith in every 'mohalla' for bringing about better communal relations and to search their hearts if their behaviour and attitude towards members of other communities so far had left nothing to be desired.—A. P.**

## SIR SIKANDER GROWS ELOQUENT

### Tribute To Work Of Official And Non-Official Europeans For India

LAHORE, March 6.

Replying to the toast of his health at the annual dinner of the European Association last night, H. E. Sir Henry Craik referred to the callous brutality displayed by the Germans in the "Domala" affair and drew a contrast between the lot of the civilian population in Britain and in India. In India we scarcely knew from our daily living conditions that a war was in progress, but there was one way in which all could help and that was by subscribing freely to all war funds. "Give and give until it hurts," concluded the Governor, whose speech was punctuated by bursts of applause.

SIR SIKANDER GROWS ELOQUENT

Replying to the toast of the Punjab Ministry Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, thanked on behalf of his colleagues and himself, non-official Europeans for their loyal and unstinted support to the Government. Some in India, said the Premier described European activity in this country as exploitation; that was not his view, for he believed that it was the efforts of official and non-official Europeans which had enabled his countrymen to stand on their own feet in the realms of administration, commerce and industry. He was sure also, that Indians had the sympathy of enlightened Europeans in the realm of politics and could rely on their support in the attainment of their objective and their ideal. That objective had been laid down as long as long ago as 1923 as Dominion Status within the British Commonwealth of nations, and that was still their ideal.

It had been a primary concern of his colleagues and himself to give the utmost attention to the needs of the minorities and he hoped that similar concern become the guiding principle in other provinces.

Referring again to the loyalty of the Punjab to the Empire ideal, Sir Sikander hoped that for the sake of the orderly progress of India and the world, those in this country who at present did not see eye to eye with them would be converted to their point of view.—A. P.

## BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE

### Civil Appointments

Reverend F. A. Thompson to be Chaplain of Colaba.

Mr. V. H. Ghanekar to officiate as District Deputy Collector, East Khandesh.

Mr. H. A. Khan, a Magistrate of the First Class in the district of Ahmedabad, is invested, with the power to try summarily.

Mr. G. V. Vaidya, a Magistrate of the First Class in the district of Dharwar, is invested, with the following additional power, to try cases under section 124-A of the Indian Penal Code.

Mr. Iswarlal S. Shah, a Magistrate of the Third Class in the district of Kaira, is appointed, to be a Magistrate of the Second Class in that district and is invested with the following additional power, to make order as to first offenders.

Mr. M. S. Deshpande, a Magistrate of the Third Class in the district of East Khandesh, is appointed, a Magistrate of the Second Class in that district and, is invested with the following additional power, to make order as to first offenders.

Dr. J. C. Patel, as Honorary Assistant Surgeon for the Outpatients' Department of the St. George's Hospital, Bombay.

Mr. J. F. Bhajiwalla, M.S. (Bom.), as Honorary Surgeon at the Vithal Sayana Civil Hospital, Thana, for a period of two years.

### Harijan Sadhu's 40 Days' Fast

(From A Correspondent)

The Harijan saint Baba Ghainiath Maharaj is observing a rigorous fast of 40 days for the welfare of the Hindu community from 29th of January. The fast will end on 8th instant, when in honour of the saint an agitation dinner on a very elaborate scale will be organised. A public meeting in this connection was held on Saturday last when speeches were delivered by prominent Hindu leaders under the presidentship of Mr. Mindhe Patil. A committee to organise the anti caste dinner was formed with Mr. Mindhe Patil as president, Dr. N. D. Savarkar as Vice-president, Mr. A. K. Gadre as treasurer and Pandit Murkute, Messrs. Kohlavadikar, Fakirrao Patil as Honorary Secretaries.

## 10,000 New Literates In City

### Ability To Judge Right And Wrong Essential For Democratic Institutions, Says Kher

The session of the literacy campaign conducted by the Adult Education Committee, Bombay, which commenced in November last closed at the end of last month. A literacy test was, as usual, held and, though all the results have not been yet consolidated it is estimated that about 10,000 adultsmen and women, have achieved literacy during the session.

Two meetings were held one at the Sewri D. D. Chawls Maidan on Saturday night, when Mr. M. D. Bhat, the Municipal Commissioner presided and the other at the Ghodapdeo Maidan when Mr. B. G. Kher presided. With a view to help the new literates, a booklet specially written for the purpose and published by the Adult Education Committee was presented to each pupil along with the literacy certificate.

At both the places, a large number of residents had gathered to witness the certificate giving ceremony. Some of the new literates read some paragraphs each, from the booklet with facility and the presidents and the guests were satisfied at the good progress made by them in four months.

KEEP UP HABIT OF READING

Mr. Mantri, the Special Literacy Officer congratulated the grown-ups who were able to obtain the certificates and said that unless they kept up the habit of reading which they had forced in these classes, their literacy would not be permanent. They should, therefore, finish the book presented to them and come to the organisers for another as early as possible. He added that the Adult Education Committee had decided to give them more books to read and to open some reading centres where they could go and read more books and increase their knowledge.

MR. KHER'S SPEECH

Mr. Kher at the Ghodapdeo meeting expressed satisfaction at the good progress made by the adults and appreciated the facility with which some of them read the new booklet. He said that the ability to read and write was very essential both for their individual benefits as well as for the national well-being. In the democratic institutions wherein they were entering, this ability would be of great help to them to think and to judge for themselves as to what was good and what was harmful to them and their country. They could no longer afford to be the tools in the hands of others like dumb driven cattle.

## *BOMBAY'S LAND REVENUE COLLECTIONS FOR 1938-39*

After allowing for suspensions and remissions, the net demand for land revenue in Bombay Province for the revenue year, 1938-39, was Rs. 3,61,67,000. Collections amounted to Rs. 3,60,03,000 being 99.5 per cent. of the demand

There were no seasonal calamities. As in previous years, relief on account of the slump in prices was given to the agriculturists by means of rebates, based largely on the fall in the current prices of agricultural produce as compared with the prices on which settlement rates were based.

The total rebates amounted to Rs. 14,14,000. The districts which received the largest were: East Khandesh, Rs. 2,78,787; West Khandesh, Rs. 2,15,522; Thana, Rs. 1,75,995; and Kolaba, Rs. 1,61,527.

The amounts suspended and remitted amounted to Rs. 56,88,000 and Rs. 6,80,000 respectively. The amount suspended was the largest in the districts of Ahmedabad, Kaira, Poona, Sholapur, Belgaum, Bijapur and Dharwar, and that remitted in the districts of Ahmedabad, Kaira and Dharwar.

POSTPONEMENTS

In addition, the collection of land revenue amounting to Rs. 70,640 was postponed in favour of 7,365 Khatedars who were unable, through poverty, to pay the whole of their land revenue dues. The distribution of this amount among districts was mainly as follows: Thana, Rs. 3,020; Bombay Suburban District, Rs. 1,944; East Khandesh, Rs. 55,000; Dharwar, Rs. 1,400; Kanara, Rs. 6,000.

Of the coercive processes taken for the recovery of land revenue, notices under section 152, Land Revenue Code, were issued in 17,391 cases, against 19,230 cases in 1937-38. Forfeiture of land was ordered in 1,150 cases, compared with 1,309 cases in 1937-38.

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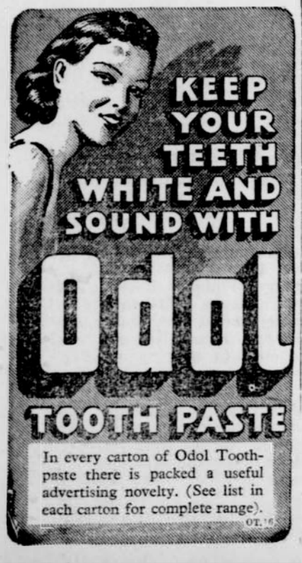
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# On The Air

## FRIDAY, MARCH 8.

### *Bombay I—Programme*

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Keep fit! 8-10 Pazir Khan 8-15 News in Marathi. 8-20 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Mohammad Shafi and party. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 Cookery Hints. 9-15 Tarabai Gadagkar. 9-35 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 9-45 Sawati Matsar. 9-50 Ahmed Dilawer. 12-30 p.m. Naats. 12-45 Dugane. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Geets. 1-10 Mutual understanding. 1-25 H.M.V. Delhi Studio Orchestra. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 2-30 Musical prelude. 2-35 Science. 2-50 An Alien Air 3 Hindustani. 3-15 Close down. 5 p.m. You asked for it. 5-15 Selected by Miss Noor-un-Isa. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati 5-35 Selected by Khurshed D. Katrak. 5-50 Selected by A. Hilloowala. 6 News in English 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Hiralal Nakshigara of Surat. 6-25 Eman on Dilruba. 6-30 Ahmed Dilawer. 6-50 A Couple of Marathi Lyrics. 7 Gundopant returns to village. 1: Talk in Marathi. 7-15 Hiralal Nakshigara. 7-30 Mohammad Shafi and Party. 7-45 Meenakshi. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Tomorrow. 8-30 War and Our Industries. 2: Talk. 8-45 The Bombay Radio Orchestra. 9-55 Talk of the town 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 A Trio of Dadras. 9-55 Tarabai Gadagkar. 10-20 Phagan-ke-Geet. 10-30 News in English.

### *Bombay II—Programme*

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

8 a.m. to 8-15 As in Bombay 1. 8-15 Qawwalis. 8-25 Azmat Husain. 8-55 Garba tune on Clarionet. 9 A Topical talk in Gujarati. 9-15 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

12-30 p.m. to 12-57 As in Bombay 1. 12-57 Soman: Dilruba. 1 to 1-30 As in Bom. 1. 1-30 Musical interlude. 1-35 to 3-15 As in Bom. 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

5 p.m. to 5-25 As in Bombay 1. 5-25 The Glare of Geets. 5-35 to 6 As in Bom. 1. 6 Children's Hour (Eng.) 7 to 7-30 As in Bom. 1. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Tarabai Gadagkar. 8-15 The A I R Trio. 8-25 to 9 As in Bom. 1. 9 Azmat Husain. 9-20 Violin duets. 9-30 Nella Ash: Soprano. 9-40 Gr. Symphony Orchestra. 10 A I R Symphonic Strings. 10 News in English.

### *Delhi I—Programme*

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Delhi Radio Orchestra. 5-10 Rashid Ahmad Dehlavi and party. 5-30 Fazl-i-Ilahi. 5-40 A short vocal recital. 6-15 Azim Prem Razi. 6-35 Ramzan Khan. 6-50 Tan Parang. 7 For villagers only. 8 Air Artists (Naaten). 8-5 Air Artists. 8-15 Economic review. 8-30 Famous massacre. 10 Hirabai Barodekar. 10-35 Persian music.

### *Delhi II—Programme*

60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

5 to 7 p.m. As in Delhi 1. 7 Hirabai Barodekar. 7-30 Ramzan Khan. 7-40 Qawwali. 8 to 10 As in Delhi 1. 10 Sadie Whitmarsh.

### *Lahore Programme*

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)

6-10 p.m. Ali Bakhsh. 6-30 For the countryside. 7-15 Channun Khan. 7-30 Nazi Raj Ki Kahani, 5. 7-45 Bhai Desa. 8 Hirabai. 8-15 Economic review. 8-30 A variety. 8-50 Bhai Desa. 9-50 Gul Bakawali.

### *Dacca Programme*

257.1 metres (1,167 kc/s)

5 p.m. The March of B's. 5-30 Gour Das. 5-50 Sitar recital. 6-5 Gramer Pathe. 7 Sefalika Das. 7-10 Hari Sadhan Mukerjee. 7-25 Kashinath Bhatt. 7-50 A: D B: E C: F A musical interlude. 8 Sefalika Das. 8-10 Kiran Dev Barman. 8-25 Jharna Rani. 9-5 Jharna Pani. 9-45 It is on your suggestion. 10 Kiran Dev Barman. 10-15 Gour Das

### *Calcutta I—Programme*

(Add 24 minutes for Calcutta time)

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)

5 p.m. For the Children (Indian). 5-50 For the Children (Indian) (Contd.) 6-5 Boys and girls come out to play: Programme for children. 6-40 Purna Chandra: Play. 9 Bina Chowdhuri. 9-45 Kali Pathak. 10 Sukhomoy Ganguli. 10-15 Nazir Hussain.

### *Calcutta II—Programme*

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)

5 p.m. to 10-30 As in Calcutta 1.

### *Lucknow Programme*

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)

5-30 p.m. Vilayat Khan of Delhi. 5-48 Shameem Bano. 6-10 Vilayat Khan. 6-30 Hamara Panchayetghar: For rural areas. 7 Ek tha Raja: For Children only. 7-30 History as it Happens: Review of events of day. 7-45 Shameem Bano. 8 Dil Men Too: Gram. records. 8-10 Group Singing. 8-25 Vilayat Khan. 8-38 Shameem Bano. 8-50 Topic of the day or Indian music. 9-45 Recorded music. 9-50 Vilayat Khan. 10 Hirabai Barodekar.

### *Madras—I Programme*

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

4 p.m. Educational broadcast for children (Telugu). 4-30 European music. 5 H. M. V. Madras Studio Orchestra. 5-20 T. D. Sankara Iyer: Violin. 6-5 Shrimati P. L. Subbalakshmi. 6-30 A I R Artist: Jalatarangam. 6-45 Sravana Bhadrapadalu: Play in Telugu. 7 Week by week: Review of world events (Tamil). 7-15 Interlude. 7-50 Shri P. L. Subbalakshmi. 8-30 H. M. V. Madras Studio Orchestra. 9 World events: Weekly causery. 9-15 Interlude. 9-45 T. D. Sankara Iyer, Violin.

### *Madras II—Programme*

50.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)

4 p.m. to 6-5 As in Madras 1. 6-5 For rural areas. 6-30 to 9-30 As in Madras 1. 9-30 Brigg Fair: English rhapsody (Delius). 9-45 Celia Evans: Soprano. 10 Voices of Spring Waltz: Strauss. 10-5 Aubrey Crichton: Pianoforte.

### *Trichy Programme*

396 metres (758 kc/s)

5 p.m. Instrumental overture. 5-20 Shri. S. Rajalakshmi. 5-45 Tunes from the Talkies. 6-5 For the villages. 6-30 S. R. Govindaswamy Pillai Brothers: Nagaswaram. 7 World Affairs (Relayed from the B B C). 7-15 Learn to sing. 7-50 Shri. K. Kochammal: Vocal. 8-30 Casual Leave: Playlet. 8-45 S. R. Govindaswamy Pillai Brothers: Nagaswaram. 9-45 Shri. K. Kochammal: Vocal.

### RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

| | Arr. H.M. | Dep. H.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Calcutta Mail (Chheoki) | 9-40 | 20-10 |
| Madras Mail | 6-00 | 22-10 |
| Peshawar Lucknow (Express) | 5-15 | 22-30 |
| Calcutta Mail (Express) | 9-10 | 17-40 |
| Madras Express | 10-15 | 14-25 |
| Poona Mail | 10-30 | 17-30 |
| Punjab Mail | 12-35 | 17-20 |
| Nagpur Express | 15-00 | 20-55 |
| Poona Fast Passenger | 16-50 | 11-50 |
| Poona Express | 19 32 | 8 05 |
| Allahabad Express | 21-00 | 6 15 |

Latest Commercial News

# NEW YORK COTTON FIVE POINTS UP

## Scattered Support In Gilt-Edged Securities

### STOCKS AND COMMODITIES QUIETLY STEADY

BOMBAY, MARCH 7

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET WAS MODERATELY ACTIVE ON LOCAL AND TRADE SUPPORT BUT, HOLIDAY IN BOMBAY RESTRAINED OPERATIONS. MOVEMENTS WERE VERY MUCH RESTRICTED.

## *COTTON:*

**LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES**

MAY 1940
New York, March 7

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 10.77 |
| To-day's opening | 10.81 |
| Difference | +04 |
| To-day's closing | 10.82 |
| Difference | +05 |

**BROACH EXPECTATION**

| | |
|---|---|
| Broach April/May | Rs. 270 0 |
| Broach July/August | Rs. 279 0 |

**LIVERPOOL COTTON**

MAY 1940
Liverpool, March 7

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 7.95 |
| To-day's opening | 7.92 |
| Difference | —03 |
| To-day's closing | 7.92 |
| Difference | —03 |

**N. Y COTTON MARKET**

New York, March 7

The trading in May began at 10.81 i.e. four points higher than the last closing.

Prices advanced on scattered trade support but thereafter the enquiry tapered off. However, no pressure was in evidence with the resultant narrow trading.

**BOMBAY COTTON Night Session.**

Bombay, March 7

The market was entirely closed to day.

**NEW YORK COTTON**

New York, March 7

Following were the opening ranges on New York Cotton Exchange:—

| | |
|---|---|
| March (11.02/02) | 10.98/98 |
| May (10.81/80) | 10.81/81 |
| July (10.46/46) | 10.48/48 |

**Liverpool Cotton**

Liverpool, March 7

| | |
|---|---|
| American March (7.85) | 7.86 |
| American May (7.94) | 7.94 |
| Giza March (10.09) | 10.16 |
| Giza May (10.22) | 10.27 |

**LONDON COMMODITIES**

London, March 7

SEEDS.

Castorseeds March April (£20 3/4 quoted) £20 3/4 quoted

Linseed Bombay/Calcutta March/April (£18 quoted) £18 1/4 quoted

Linseed La Plata March April (£15 13/16 quoted) £15 3/4 quoted

Groundnuts Coromandal March April (£15 1/8 quoted) £15 1/8 quoted

JUTES.

Dundee February (£55) £57

Lightning February (£52) £53

RUBBER

Spot (12 5/16d. paid and value) 12 5/16d. paid and value

Forward May (12d. paid and value) 12d. paid and buyers

METALS.

Tin (£255 buyers; £255 1/4 sellers. Firm) £255 1/4 buyers; £255 1/2 sellers. Very steady.

Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62

Lead Foreign Cash (£25) £25

Glasgow Iron No. 4 (111 sh.) 111 sh.

## *EXCHANGES:*

**CROSS RATES**

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, March 7

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 3.91 3/4 |
| To-day's opening | 3.91 3/4 |

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
Lon

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 |
| To-day's opening | 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 |
| To-day's closing | 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 |

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS
London, March 7

| | |
|---|---|
| Previous closing | 176 1/2 to 176 3/4 |
| To-day's opening | 176 1/2 to 176 3/4 |
| To-day's closing | 176 1/2 to 176 3/4 |

**LONDON SILVER CABLE**

London, March 7

The following cable regarding London Silver Market was received here to-day:—

Little Indian buying. Offerings limited. Market quietly steady.

LONDON SILVER
London, March 7

| | |
|---|---|
| Spot (21 1/16d) | 21 1/8d+1/16 |
| Forward (20 15/16d) | 21d+1/16 |

LONDON GOLD
London, March 7

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£8 8-0) £8-8-0

**LONDON EXCHANGES**

London, March 7

London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate.

Franc was officially fixed at 175.50 to 176.75

CROSS RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| London on Bombay | 1-6 |
| Paris on Bombay | (13.24 5/8) 13.24 5/8 |
| New York on Bombay | (30.29) 30.28 |
| London on Milan | (75.75) 77.00 |
| London on Shanghai | (0-4 to 0-4 3/8) 0-4 to 0-4 5/16 |
| London on Kobe | (1-2 3/8 to 1-2 15/32) 1-2 3/8 to 1-2 15/32 |

DISCOUNTS

| | |
|---|---|
| 3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) | 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent |
| 4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) | 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent |
| 6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) | 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent |

**NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE**

New York, March 7

The following are the opening quotations:—

General Motors (dol 53 3/8) dol 54 1/8

Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 29 3/4) dol 30 1/2

U S Steel Commons (dol 58 3/4) dol 59 3/8

U S Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 117 1/2

## Ban On Cotton Seed Imports In Afghanistan

NEW DELHI, March 7

Another announcement says that owing to the prevalence of cotton disease in India, Iran and some parts of Afghanistan, import of cotton seed from abroad is prohibited except with the special permission of the ministry of national economy.

## BIHAR SUGARCANE FORECAST

### Larger Crop Estimate

PATNA, March 7

The Jute planted with sugarcane is estimated at 441,200 acres as against 375,300 acres reported for the corresponding year, states the third and final forecast of sugarcane crop of Bihar. 1939. The increase being conspicuous almost everywhere in Bihar excepting the districts of Patna and Santal Parganas due to the fixation of the minimum price of sugarcane by Government, a greater demand by the factories and also to a rise in the price of sugar and gur.

The outturn of the crop for the province works out at 87 per cent as against the past ten years average of 96 per cent. Accordingly, the yield of this year's crop is estimated at 92 per cent of the average as compared with 86 per cent of last year. Taking the provincial conditions factor on this basis and the normal yield at 10 tons per acre for areas north of the river Ganges and at 14 tons elsewhere the goods outturn of cane should be 4,602,600 tons as compared to 3,692,700 tons of last year and in terms of gur 9,205,200 cwts. as compared with 7,395,400 cwts. last year.

The weather conditions have been reported to be generally fair to good. There is, however, a severe outbreak of red rot and wilt diseases in parts of the districts of Champaran and Saran and a milder outbreak in parts of Muzafarpur and Darbhanga. The condition of the crop consequently had deteriorated to a slight extent in parts of Champaran and Saran.

Harvesting and crushing of sugarcane are in full swing, states the report. Standing 'rabi' crops are doing well but slight damage has been done to the crops by hail storms in parts of Saran, Monghyr and Bhagalpur. Planting of sugarcane continues.

The price of common rice rose in two districts, fell in one and remained stationary elsewhere. The average price of local common rice at the headquarters markets was 10.17 seers a rupee as compared to 10.20 seers last week and that of maize was 12.50 as compared with 12.71 seers.

The supply of fodder and water is sufficient everywhere. Cattle disease is reported from five districts.

LONDON SEEDS
London: March 7

Rozario Santa Fe unquoted.

Barletta Russo 24/3 March/April quoted.

South Australian shipment F.O.B. parcels 25/6 March quoted.

**B. B. and C. I. Railway.**

| | Arr. H.M. | Dep. H.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Ahmedabad Passenger | 14-15 | 22-30 |
| Delhi Express | 6-00 | 22 15 |
| Kathiawar Mail | 6-45 | 21 30 |
| Gujarat Mail | 7-25 | 22-00 |
| Frontier Mail | 8 15 (Mon) | 21-15 (Sat) |
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| The Flying Ranee Surat | 10 58 | 18-05 |
| Ahmedabad Passenger | 5 35 | 13 50 |
| Kathiawar Express | 18 45 | 8 45 |
| Baroda Passenger | 20-37 | 9-25 |

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## NEW YORK COTTON

New York: March 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 10.97 |
| May | 10.77 |
| July | 10.43 |
| Middling Spot (Nominal) | 11.03 |

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York: March 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 11.10 |
| May | 10.88 |
| July | 10 53 |
| Middling Spot (Nominal) | 10.58 |

11 a.m. Rates. Noon Call.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| March | 10.94 | 10.98 |
| May | 10.76 | 10.78 |
| July | 10.43 | 10.45 |

N. YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York March 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| Day's receipts at all U S Ports | 12,000 bales |
| Day's exports to Great Britain | 4,000 bales |
| Day's exports to the Continent | 22 000 bales |
| Day's exports to China and Japan | Nil. |

LIVERPOOL COTTON
Liverpool: March 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| March | 7.87 |
| April | 7.91 |
| May | 7.95 |
| June | 7.97 |
| July | 7.99 |
| August | 7.96 |
| September | 7.90 |
| October | 7.82 |
| November | 7.76 |
| December | 7.74 |
| January | 7.72 |
| February | 7.69 |
| March | 7.67 |
| Middling Spot | 6.05 |

LONDON GOLD
London: March 6.

Gold bars fine per Oz £8/8/0

**PREVAILING PRICES IN BOMBAY**

The Collector of Bombay has issued the following statement showing prevailing prices in Bombay on 6th March:—

| | Rs. as ps. |
|---|---|
| Rice (Jira Sal) per Phara of 16 Paylis | 8 to 11 |
| Jowar per Payli | 0 5 6 |
| Jowar per Payli | 0 6 0 |
| Bajri per Payli | 0 6 6 |
| Sugar (Java) per 28 lbs. | 5 0 0 |
| Sugar (Country soft) per 28 lbs. | 5 4 0 |
| Salt per Payli | 0 3 0 |
| Groundnut Oil per lb. | 0 2 6 |
| Cocoanut Oil per lb. | 0 3 3 |
| Til Oil per lb. | 0 3 0 |
| Kerosene Oil Chukkur or Rising Sun two tins ex-Town shop | 7 2 6 |
| Kerosene Oil Elephant Brand per tin | 3 10 0 |
| Kerosene Oil Bulk Rising Sun or Chukkur per unit of 8 Im- | |
| Fuel Jungli per 28 lbs. | 0 5 0 |
| Matches WIMCO per doz. | 0 3 0 |
| to | 0 4 0 |
| Charcoal per 28 lbs. | 0 9 0 |
| Fuel Jungli per 28 lbs. | 0 0 |
| Asperin per Ounce | 0 5 0 |
| Quinine Powder per lb. | 35 0 |
| Quinine Bottle of 100 pills of 2 grns | 1 8 0 |
| Castor Oil Swastik per lb. | 0 13 0 |
| Mag. Sulphate per lb. | 0 3 0 |
| Soda Bicarb. per lb. | 0 3 0 |
| Insulin 10 cc. | 2 0 0 |
| Insulin 5 cc. | 1 8 0 |
| Eucalyptus Oil per lb. | 1 8 0 |
| Iodine per lb. | 1 12 0 |
| Barium Sulphide per lb. | 1 12 0 |

**3½ P. C. STERLING LOAN**

London, March 7

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £94 3/4

**LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE**

INDIAN LOANS
London, March 7

3 per cent Indian Stock (£98) £98

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£94 3/4) £94 3/4

4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950/55 (£112) £112

4 1/2 per cent 1958/68 (£114) £114

4 per cent Indian Stock 1948/53 (£108) £108

5 per cent Indian Stock 1942/47 (£107 1/8) £107 1/8

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1954/58 (£103) £103

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1945/55 (£107) £107

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£74) £73 7/8

3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99 1/4) £98 7/8

4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£101 3/4) £101 7/8

4 per cent Funding Loan (£113 1/2) £113

3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£99 3/4) £99 1/2

4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 5/8) £110

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (12-0) 12-0

Marks and Spencer Ordinary (53-4 1/2) 52-7 1/2

Hydro Electric (dol 3) dol 3-0

Electric Music Industry (9-4 1/2) 9-6

Princhin Johnson (22 6) 22-6

Imperial Chemicals (32-4 1/2) 32-3

Woolsworth New Ordinary (64-9) 64-6

San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1937 (£40 1/4) £39 3/4

Dunlop Rubber (33-6 33-9

Unilever Ordinary (32-7 1/2) 32-7 1/2

Ford Motors (16-9) 16-9

Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£61 1/2) £61

British American Tobacco Ordinary (103-9) 103-1 1/2

Carreas 'A' (£6) £6

Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (125-0) 125-0

P and O Def (23-4 1/2) 23-6

Distillers (67-0) 66-6

Bredfords Dye (6-4 1/2) 6-1 1/2

British Celanese (8-3) 8-0

J and P Coates Ordinary (37-3 1/2) 35-9

Courtaulds Ordinary (36-10 1/2) 36-9

Fine Cotton Spinners (6-0) 5-9

Vickers Limited Ordinary (20-6) 20-3

Inter Nickel (dol 47) dol 47 1/4

Indian Iron (56-3) 56-3

TEA SHARES

Assam (18-9) 18-9

Donaro Tea (32-0) 32-0

Empire of India (25-0) 25-0

JUTES

Barnagore (£9 1/4) 9 1/4

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (25-3) 25-3

Gula Kelampong (21-10 1/2) 21-10 1/2

Rubber Plant Inv Trust (34-0) 34-3

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (30-7 1/2) 30-0

Burma Corporation (10-0) 10-0

Rio Tintos (£15) £14 3/4

East Rand Properties (45-7 1/2) 45-7 1/2

Rand Mines (£7 1/4) £7 3/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£13 7/8) £13 7/8

Associated Portland Cement (56-3) 55-7 1/2

Trinidad Leaseholds (76-3) 76-3

Sub Nigel (£9 3/8) £9 3/8

Spring Mines Split Shares (26-10 1/2) 26-10 1/2

Union Corporation (£7 1/8) £7 1/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-7 1/2) 26-3

Anglo Indian (55-0) 55-7 1/2

Burma Oil (71-3) 71-10 1/2

Mexican Eagle (6-10 1/2) 6-10 1/2

Shell Transport (80-7 1/2) 80-7 1/2

Royal Dutch (£33 1/4) £33 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£46 1/4) £47 1/2

London Midland Ordinary (£20) £21 1/4

London North Eastern Def (£2 7/8) £3 1/4

London Southern Def (£19) £20 3/4

London Transport 5 per cent (£119 1/2) £119 1/2

London Transport 'C' (£46) £46

10.45 a.m QUOTATIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| May | 7.96 |
| October | 7.82 |

**LONDON STOCK EXCHANGES**

London: March 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent | £ 68 1/2 |
| INDIAN STOCK— | |
| 3 per cent 1948 | £ 81 3/4 |
| 3 1/2 p.c. 1931 or later | £ 94 3/4 |
| 4 1/2 p.c. 1950/55 | £112 |
| Consols 2 1/2 per cent | £ 74 |
| Conversion loan 3 1/2 p.c. 1961 | £ 99 1/4 |
| War loan 3 1/2 p.c. | £ 99 3/4 |
| Funding loan 4 p.c. 1960/90 | £113 1/2 |
| Victory Bonds | £110 5/8 |
| Chartered Bank of I.A. and China | £ 9 3/8 |
| Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, London register | £ 92 |
| National Bank of India | £ 30 1/2 |

**LONDON SILVER**

London: March 6.

| | |
|---|---|
| Spot | 21 1/16 |
| Forward | 20 15/16 |

**LONDON EXCHANGES**

T. T. London on—

New York 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2; Paris 176-1/2 to 176 3/4; Madrid 39.25; Montreal 4.43/4.47; Amsterdam 7.53/7.58; Brussels 23.70/23.85; Milan 76.75; Berne 17.85/17.95; Copenhagen 20.25; Stockholm 16.85/16.95; Oslo

## Healthier Conditions In Jute Industry

CALCUTTA, March 6.

Satisfaction at the healthier conditions in the jute industry during the past year was expressed by Mr. P. C. MacDonald presiding over the seventh meeting of the Indian Central Jute Committee today.

Restriction of production to conform to world consumption, the British Government's order for 200 million sand bags at the beginning of last year and the conclusion of the mills working time agreement about the same time, were, Mr. MacDonald stated the outstanding features of the past eight months of the year. Since the declaration of the war, he added, the placing of further Government orders for 712 million sand bags and considerable demand both for the raw and finished material here and abroad had induced higher prices and improved trading conditions.

## All-India Radio And Congress Session

Mr. B. Samarth, Mahim, Bombay, writes:—

It has been announced lately that the proposal of relaying the next Congress Session programme with a view to broadcast the leaders' speeches etc., to listeners in all over the country has been at last discarded by the All-India Radio authorities without any regard to public opinion.

To my mind, in this particular sphere of national need, it would not be very difficult to make the All-India Radio realise its duties to the nation, only if our citizens who seem to care more for their individual amusement and happiness than the awakening of the people at large, refuse to continue their 'Radio-habit' until such time that the present glaring injustices by the A. I. R. to the people's just demands are completely removed. It must be remembered that the All-India Radio is a public-utility concern under Government control, and as such must largely respond to the reasonable wishes of the people. Such is not the case at present. Will not the discerning minds see through the unfairness of the A. I. R. authorities and awake to their sense of national self-respect?

## *JAPAN'S VAST SILVER PURCHASE PROGRAMME*

TOKYO, March 7.

Plans for a vast silver-buying programme are being initiated throughout Japan according to Domei Agency

People are being asked to bring silver goods for purchase. Finance Commerce, Industry and Home Ministries are behind the movement.

It is pointed out that Silver can be used as a Specie Reserve in wartime.—Reuter.

## BURMA'S DEMAND FOR INDEPENDENCE

### Protest Against Br. Govt.'s War Policy

(From Our Correspondent)

RANGOON, (By Mail).

The attitude of the Burmese people towards the present European war in which Burma had been made a participant being a part of the British Empire but without consent or consultation with the people of this country was voiced by the Burmese members in the House of Representatives on Friday. A large crowd assembled in the galleries to hear the debate which continued for over six hours. The resolution which was moved by U. Ba Thi was ultimately passed by the House was as follows:—

"This House associates itself with the worldwide abhorrence of the aggressive and ruthless Governments in and outside Europe and declares its complete sympathy with the oppressed and weaker nations which are now at the mercy of the few powerful and aggressive states and cannot, unaided, maintain their territorial integrity and independence.

(b) This House however regrets that the British Government made Burma a participant in the war between Great Britain and Germany without the consent of the people of Burma and have further, in complete disregard of Burmese opinion, passed laws and adopted measures curtailing the powers and activities of the Burma Government.

(c) This House is of opinion that the Government should convey to the British Government that, in consonance with the avowed aims of the present war, it is essential in order to secure the co-operation of the Burmese people that the principles of democracy with adequate safeguards for the preservation of rights and interests of the minorities be immediately applied to Burma and her policy be guided by her people; and that Burma should be recognised as an independent nation entitled to frame her own constitution and further that suitable action should be taken in so far as it is possible in the immediate present to give effect to that principle in regard to the present governance of Burma".

## TALUKA DEVELOPMENT IN KHANDESH

### Mr. Jadhav Urges Continuance Of Associations

JALGAON, March 3.

Presiding over the conference of the Taluka Development Associations of Khandesh, held at Jalgaon on March 3, Mr. B. V. Jadhav said:—

The main object of Taluka Development Association is demonstration of improvements in implements, in seeds and in manures, but other objects are also kept in view. According to the model bye-laws the object of the Association is the agricultural development and organisation and supervision of co-operative societies of the Taluka concerned, and with a view to achieving the object, to undertake work in the following directions: Dissemination of agricultural knowledge by means of demonstrations, lectures, pamphlets etc; Introduction and supply through co-operative societies and on the principles of co-operative movement of (a) good and reliable seeds, (b) better and improved implements, and (c) good and useful manures; Improvement of the breed of cattle and the milk supply; Consolidation and enlargement of scattered and small holdings; Development of secondary home industries and such others.

It should be noted that the Taluka Development Associations were not allowed to organise or supervise co-operative societies within the Taluka. Other agencies such as the Supervising Unions and the District Co-operative Institutes with a Propaganda Officer were entrusted with the work.

USEFUL WORK BY JALGAON T.D.A.

The Jalgaon T.D.A. is paying attention to horticulture also and is supplying grafts and sprouts of various fruit trees. The T. D. A. supplied improved Jurilla Cotton seed for the cultivation of nearly 1,500 acres.

The Jalgaon T. D. A. has also taken to another important activity, the giligan cattle farm.

They have established a poultry farm as well and one can expect a good addition to the income of a poor family which keeps half a dozen birds.

The new policy of Government is to encourage the formation of Multipurpose Societies and Better Farming Societies. When a Taluka will be covered with Multipurpose societies, and agency co-ordinating their activities will be required and the T. D. Associations are by past experience well fitted to take up the work of co-ordinating.

## PROBLEM IN M...

### Report Of Ce... Association

The Report of the C... Management of the Cen... dian Association of Mala... the year 1939 states:—

During the year, the C... India Association of Malaya ... registered in the State of Per... and in the Colony of the Straits Settlements. The Outstanding event of the year as far as Indians in Malaya are concerned was the visit to this country of Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru, President of the Servants of India Society who is also a member of the Council of State and Standing Emigration Committee at New Delhi. It was on the invitation of this Association that the Pundit visited Malaya on his way back to India from Australia.

The visit of Pundit Kunzru at the time—January 1939—was not only very welcome but very opportune indeed as the Malayan Official delegation was on the eve of its visit to India to discuss the question of emigration of Indian labourers to Malaya.

Sri Surianarayana Rao of the Servants of India Society, Prof. S. K. Rudra, Professor of Economics of the Allahabad University, and Sri. A. K. Gopalan, a member of the All-India Congress Committee and the All India Trade Union Congress, also visited the country during the year.

At the beginning of the year the wages of Indian Labourers on Rubber Estates was 45 cents for male adults and 36 cents for female adults. On the 1st October it was increased to 50 cents and 40 cents respectively. Though there have been an appreciable rise in the price of rubber and a sharp rise in the cost of living due to war conditions, there has not been any rise in wages in the Rubber Industry.

DELEGATION

In the absence of any opportunity to settle matters locally our Council for 1938 thought it fit and very necessary that this Association should submit a memorandum and send a delegation to India to represent the considered view of the Indian Community in Malaya on this question. Messrs. L. R. Chandran and S. M. Sharma who were selected to represent the Association went to India to represent to those concerned in India the Malayan Indian Community's view on the various questions under discussion and submit to the Government of India our Memorandum.

Our delegates were officially received by the Government of India at New Delhi. Mr. Chandran who first went to Madras was officially received by the Madras Government also. Mr. Chandran apprised the Madras Government of our view point.

During the year Sri. M. R. Menon completed and submitted his memorandum on the Central Indian High School. A sub-committee consisting of Sri. M. R. Menon and Sri. K. A. N. Aiyer with the President and Secretary ex-officio was appointed to prepare a memorandum on the Trade Union Bill which the Governments of the Colony and F.M.S. intended to bring into force. This has been done and copies together with copy of a further letter to Government on the subject have already been circulated.

As a result of letters exchanged between this Association and the Protector of Emigrants, Madras, a memorandum on the subject of the requirements under the Indian Law in regard to the emigration of skilled workers and others from India has been made available to the various Associations.

## How Scheduled Class People Should Change Names

The Director of Information Bombay writes:—

The Government of Bombay has issued orders making it easier for members of the Scheduled Classes to change their names, if they so desire.

With a view to affording facilities to Scheduled Class persons to change their names, the Government has directed that members of the Scheduled Classes should be permitted to have their altered names published in the "Bombay Government Gazette", at a concessional fee of six annas instead of the existing fee of Rs. 1-6-0 for each application, provided that the applications are sent to the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, on the forms obtainable from him through the Collectors of districts.

The members of the Scheduled Classes applying for change of names, however, will be required to conform to the orders under the Defence of India Rules that notices of change of names have to be given to the Government through the District Magistrates or the Commissioner of Police.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ

The annual general meeting of the Bombay Keraleeya Samaj will be held at the King George English School, Hindu Colony, Dadar, on Sunday, March 17 at 10.30 a.m. (S.T.).

## ...LARLY ...IAL"

### ...Have Resort... ...rt Term Loan"

...CALCUTTA, March 1. ...retary, Indian Cham... ... Commerce, Calcutta, ...

...e Committee of the Indian ...mber of Commerce have ad...fessed the following telegram ...o the Government of India re...gerding the Budget proposals presented by the Finance Member to the Central Legislative Assembly.

The Committee of the Indian Chamber of Commerce is greatly disappointed at the Budget proposals presented by the Finance Member in the Central Assembly. The deficit of seven crores shown is clearly artificial and revenue receipts are considerably underestimated. If receipts from sugar import duty will be reduced due to larger production and consequent lesser imports revenue from sugar excise duty will be increased due to larger production.

The Finance Member has further taken too pessimistic view of receipts from taxes on incomes. The anticipation of lesser revenue of 80 lakhs under salt is not justifiable. The committee believes the revenue receipts if properly estimated would not result in a deficit of seven crores.

Moreover, if a deficit resulted at all the Government should have advisedly resorttd to a short term loan even on strength of the proposed increase in petrol duty. Such a loan could have been repaid in about six years mainly from the increase in the petrol duty. In that case there would have been no necessity of an Excess Profits Tax or increase in sugar excise duty.

The estimated receipts from Excess Profits Tax at three crores on the basis of present Bill in the Assembly is a gross underestimation. Increase in sugar excise duty will prove greatly detrimental to this important industry. The estimated loss is about two crores on account of excise duty alone. The levy of excise duty on sugar departs from the announcement made by the Government in March 1939 that altered quantum of protection would be applicable for two years from April 1939. The Committee greatly regrets that there is no mention of the Indianisation of Army even though the Defence expenditure has increased to a tune of more than eight crores. The committee regrets to find that no mention is made regarding the necessity of India's industrial development.

## CRIPPLING COUNTRY'S FINANCIAL CAPACITY

### Commerce And Industry Chambers Criticise Budget Proposals

NEW DELHI, March 1.

"The Committee doubt whether after the imposition of so many additional burdens, the people of this country would be left with any appreciable income in their pockets to stand the inevitable strain which they would have to bear during the post-war stump. The Committee have grave apprehensions that if the Government persist in imposing these burdens without any regard whatever to the capacity of the country to bear them instead of helping the country to put her house in order, the Government may be responsible for making the country weak and helpless at the end of the war".

Thus concludes a lengthy communication addressed by the Committees of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry to the Government of India criticising the latter's Budget estimates and taxation proposals.

The Committee say: "It is unfortunate that the Finance Member has attempted to justify fresh taxation proposals on the assumption that the industry and trade in this country were experiencing a period of modestly improving rate of economic progress, succeeded by what he calls the tide of war prosperity. This description of the economic situation of the country before the outbreak of the war is hardly justified from the experience of either the cultivator or the industrialist during the current year.

"The Committee urge the Government to consider that the imposition of enormous additional burdens in the form of a number of fresh taxes, such as, the increase in the railway rates and fares; the imposition of Excess Profits Tax and the increase in sugar excise and petrol duty, are bound to severely cripple the financial capacity of the country. At a time when the industry and commere looked forward to utilise the situation created by war and consolidate their position and strengthen the financial fabric of the country, it is a matter for profound regret that the Government should be instrumental in giving a setback to the industrial and agricultural recovery in the country".—United Press.

## Adviser Knight's Karnatak Tour Programme

(From Our Correspondent)

BELGAUM, March 6

Mr. H. F. Knight, Government Advisor is visiting the Hosul Gul Centre and Hosur Khadi Centre on the 7th at about 1-30 p.m., the Khajidoni Kaladgi Spinning Centre on the 8th at 9 a.m., Honavar Village Industries Centre on the 10th at about 10 a.m., Hubli Khadi Depot Cane-work Class, Weavers' Industrial Association, Sale Depot and Criminal Tribes Settlement on the 15th morning between 7-30 and 9 a.m. He may visit the Harijan Boarding Bijapur on the 8th or 9th.

## *Sahajanand Says—*

## "CONGRESS WILL COMPROMISE WITH BR. IMPERIALISM"

### Unless Concerted Opposition Is Well Organised

PATNA, March 6.

"Some people had begun to hope and think that at Ramgarh the Congress would declare a fight but the resolution adopted by the Working Committee has set at rest all speculation on this score," says Sahajanand Saraswati, Chairman of the Reception Committee of the Anti-Compromise Conference to be held at Ramgarh in the course of a statement.

He adds that a "compromise with British imprialism is going to be a settled fact and our unfortunate country is to be committed to it by our national leadership in the name of Congress, if we do not awake betimes and if a desperate attempt is not made ere long in a most concerted manner.

If there were people who even now entertain the belief that the Congress is against compromise they will do well in reading carefully the speeches and statements of the leaders of the Congress after the Patna resolution."

The Swami refers in particular to the statement issued by Mahatma Gandhi in which he has interpreted the Patna resolution of the Working Committee and clarified the Congress position regarding the possibility or otherwise of negotiation and compromie with the British Government and says that only one idea is conveyed thereby namely that "the door for compromise is not banged". The Swami therefore appeals to people "to muster strong at Ramgarh and strain their every nerve to make the anti-compromise Conference a complete success".—A. P.

## *BENGAL DELEGATES FOR RAMGARH*

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, March 6.

According to information received here at the A.I.C.C. office delegates election in Bengal is now taking place for 400 seats. The total number allotted to Bengal was 544 but the election for 97 seats will not be held because of non-co-operation by a section in Bengal and for 47 because the requisite number of primary members was not enrolled.

## Gold Vase For Best Spinner

RAMGARH March 6.

Mahatma Gandhi will present a gold vase to the winner of an extra fine yarn spinning competition to be held here. The prize will go to the competitor who earns the highest wages in spinning. Ten persons have so far entered for the competition.—A. P.

## Contractor's Offer To Carnac Bunder Hamals

BOMBAY, Thursday.

It is reported that the Carnac Bunder hamals were summoned by their contractor yesterday in connection with demand for dearness allowance made by the Transport Workers' Union and told them that he was prepared to give them two annas in a rupee increase on condition that they severed all connection with the Union.

The men informed the contractor that they could not give any reply without consulting the Union authorities. Accordingly some hamals were deputed to the Union office yesterday evening when the Secretary discussed with them the next step to be taken in the matter. A general meeting of the workers will be called in a few days to give a final decision on dearness allowance dispute.

## Erskine's Farewell To Secretariat

MADRAS, Mar. 6.

His Excellency Lord Erskine attended the Secretariat to-day for the last time and took leave of the departmental heads. He granted interviews to the members of the Board of Revenue and the Secretaries of the various departments.—A. P.

KARNATAK YUVAKA SANGH

The annual general body meeting of the above Sangh was held on Tuesday last in the premises of Shri Sharada Vijaya Kannada Free Night School, Gamdevi, under the presidentship of Sri B. S. Sherali. The following gentlemen were elected unanimously for the year 1940-41 as office-bearers.

Messrs. N. K. Upadhyaya, President; Nagesha Rau Byndoor, Vice-President; Bhoja Rau Inna and M. H. Prabhu, Hon. Treasurers; Vittal R. Nayak, Hon. Secretary; and V. S. Shibrurkar, B. S. Shirali, M. G. Bhomkar, J. S. Ghavaskar, Muddu Shetty, M. A. Pai as members.

# AROUND THE COURTS

### Alleged Infringement Of Licence Rules

BOMBAY: Thursday.

On Tuesday before the Bench of Honorary Magistrates, Girgaum Police Court, the proprietor of the Parisian Garden Restaurant and Ritz Cafe stood charged under Section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act for conducting the Cafe without necessary Police licence and allowing the string Band music to be played also without a licence

The case was adjourned to 20th March for judgment.

## ROUSING RECEPTION TO JINNAH AT ALIGARH

ALIGARH, March 6.

A rousing reception was accorded to Mr. M. A. Jinnah on his arrival at Aligarh station by a large crowd including the office-bearers of the League and members of the university staff. The Muslim national guard and Khaksar volunteers presented a guard of honour. Mr. Jinnah accompanied by Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan drove to the residence of Sadar Yar Jung Bahadur, escoted by university riding squad with bear swords.

The University Union Ministry was 'at home' to Mr. Jinnah was the afternoon. Mr. Jinnah was entertained to a dinner at the residence of Nawab of Chattari. Mr. Jinnah is addressing the members of the University Union at 9 p.m.—A. P.

## Madras Govt.'s Road Construction Programme

NEW DELHI, March 6.

The Standing Committee for roads which held its 26th meeting in New Delhi has approved the Madras Government's supplementary programme of 133 schemes estimated to cost Rs. 40,70,000.

Of this amount Rs. 30,75,000 will be met from the provincial allocation in the Central Road Fund, Rs. 7,14,000 by a loan, Rs. 1,47,000 by contributions from local bodies, Rs. 50,000 from provincial revenues and Rs. 84,000 for the Madras and Southern Maharatha Railway for an overbridge.

## Villager Killed In Clash With Dacoits

KARACHI, March 7.

One villager was killed and four others were injured following an encounter between the villagers and a gang of dacoits which raided the village near Shahdadpur.

A party of eight dacoits, carrying lethal weapons, is stated to have raided the village. The villagers offered stout resistance. Tree dacoits were arrested.—A. P. Special

## Hunger-Strike Given Up

KARACHI, March 7.

Eleven prisoners of Halla Sub-Jail who were on hunger-strike for the last three days broke their fast following assurances given to them that their grievances would be favourably considered.

The hunger-strike was a sequel to the demand of a prisoner to interview his father outside the jail at the bungalow of the district local board where the latter was staying for eye operation.—A. P. Special.

## Drop In Opium And Ganja

POONA, March 6.

In the excise auction held here to-day at the Collector's office there was brisk bidding on country liquor, which resulted in slight increase to that of last year's figures, while there was a slight drop in the Opium and Ganja.—A. P.

## Air Conditioning On Railway Services

DELHI, March 6

Considerable extension of the existing railway-air-conditioning facilities is expected to take place shortly. The introduction of air-conditioned services between Delhi and Peshawar and Lahore and Karachi has already been sanctioned, and it is understood that according to present plans the new facility will be available next June on these routes.

Proposals for introducing air-conditioned services between Calcutta and Delhi and Bombay and Madras are now under consideration

The surcharge system in vogue where air conditioned facilities are already available will be adopted in the case of the new routes. It is understood that the extra charge will be fixed at an amount calculated to secure an adequate return for the expenditure in providing the services.—A. P.

# Kathiawar Princes' Surprise Move

### People Of Smaller States Refuse To Be Roped In: Appeal To Viceroy

RAJKOT, March 7.

(From Our Correspondent).

Efforts of the States' rulers to bring petty talukas under their flag has created profound anxiety among talukdari people. Popular leaders of non-jurisdictional talukas in Eastern Kathiwar area are meeting in Wadhwan Camp under the presidentship of Darbar Shree Gopaldas on March 31.

A draft application is being prepared for submission to the Viceroy by talukdari people requesting His Excellency to note their protest against being transferred without their consent.

A sub-committee has been appointed in order to organise opposition to this move.

Sjt. Dhebar is tourng the areas in the connection.

Non-jurisdictional talukdars and Bhagdars are also meeting tomorrow in Rajkot on this issue.

The Cutch-Kathiawar Girasia Association is meeting here on the 10th.

The Jamsaheb, who is returning from Delhi passed through Rajkot last night.

## Rutlam State Prajamandal Official Arrested

RUTLAM, March 6

The local police arrested Pandit Biharilal Vyas, publicity secretary of the Rutlam State Prajamandal, while he was addressing a public meeting at Chandni Chowk. The meeting was held under the presidentship of Dr. Devisingh, President of the Prajamandal, to condemn the alleged repressive policy of Rutlam State.—United Press.

## *PRINCES CHAMBER REORGANISATION*

NEW DELHI, March 6.

The Ministers' Committee set up under the reorganisation scheme of the Chamber of Princes met again to-day under the chairmanship of the Rt. Hon. Sir Akbar Hydari.

The Committee adopted the rules for the conduct of business and considered its budget. The remaining items of the agenda discussed at the meeting included the Indian Income-tax (Amendment) Act, 1939 and the recent legislation regarding the Crown Representatives police force.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Akbar Hydari and Sir V. T. Krishnamachari were unanimously elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the first of two years of the Committee.—A. P.

## "NATIONALISATION, THEORETICALLY ALRIGHT"

### But Experience Makes Satyamurti Sceptical

NEW DELHI, March 6.

"Communal electorates are inconsistent with Democratic Municipal Government", said Mr. S. Satyamurthi, M.L.A., Mayor of the Madras Corporation, addressing a meeting under the auspices of the Political Science Club of the Hindu College, Delhi.

Referring to Municipal finance he said that theoretically he believed in the nationalisation of all public utility concerns but experience had made him wonder whether public bodies, which were impersonal and whose servants drew salaries having no relation to the profit or loss and the working of these enterprises, were fit to run them.

He wondered whether the Railway Board's management of the State railways was not more of a warning than an example.—A. P.

## Dholpur Judiciary Reform

DHOLPUR, March 6.

The various measures adopted in the State to bring the judiciary in line with the system vogue in British India, and to ensure speedy disposal of cases in the courts, are outlined in a press communique issued by the Publicity Officer, Dholpur State, who says that all the courts in the State, subordinate to the High Court, have been circularised by the Judge to put from time to time a list of ending cases accompanied by a statement of reasons for delay in the disposal of cases.—A. P.

SIR S. HYATKHAN IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 7.

Sir Sikander Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, arrived in Delhi, and is staying with the Law Member, Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan.—A. P.

# Indian News In Brief

MADRAS, March 6.

A resolution asking for an increase of 30 per cent in wages "in view of the enormous increase in prices of food stuffs since the war" was passed at a meeting of the workers of the Buncking ham and Carnatic Mills held under the auspices of the Madras Labour Union.—A. P.

PATNA, March 6.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad the outgoing Congress President and Chairman of the Ramgarh Congress Reception Committee left for Ramgarh this morning by car.—A. P.

The Government's desire to encourage unemployed youths to settle down in the lands of the barrage was expressed by the Premier in the Sind Assembly today during the course of the debate on the cut motion of Mr. R. K. Sidhwa.

NEW DELHI, March 6.

India's imports during January show an increase of Rs. 2,32 lakhs or 16.5 per cent on the figures for January, 1939 Prominent among the items which contributed to this are rice not in the husk, imports of which increased in value by Rs. 27 lakhs, while spirit showed an increase of Rs. 10 lakhs, kerosene oils of Rs. 29 lakhs, chemicals of Rs. 35 lakhs, raw cotton of Rs. 33 lakhs, cotton yarn of Rs. 12 lakhs, artificial silk yarn of Rs. 14 lakhs, artificial silk piecegoods of Rs. 12 lakhs and motor cars of Rs. 12 lakhs. —A.P.

LAHORE, March 6.

The work done by the ladies' parties to supply knotted and other garments for the extra comforts of Indian troops overseas was referred to by Sir Sikandar Hayat Khan, Chairman, reviewing the activities of the Indian Red Cross Society and St. John Ambulance Association, Punjab branches, at the annual general meeting at Government House this evening.—A. P.

BOMBAY, March 7.

The Reserve Bank of India rate remains unchanged at three per cent per annum.

LUCKNOW, March 6.

The Nandprayag correspondent of the "National Herald" reports that Dr. Arnold Heim of the Zurich University and the famous geologist is preparing a Swiss expedition according to a communication received, across the great Patagonian icesheet coming from Dutch East India 'via' Papua-Auckland-Panama.—A. P.

## Pamphlets Banned

CALCUTTA, March 6.

All copies, reprints and translations of two Bengali leaflets entitled "Swadhinata Dibash" (Independence Day) and "Banglar Desher Protyek Nara-Narir Kache Communist Party Abedan" (appeal of the Communist Party to everyman and woman of Bengal) published by the Bengal Committee of the Indian Communist Party have been forfeited.—A. P.

PATNA, March 6.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad the outgoing Congress President and Chairman of the Ramgarh Congress Reception Committee left for Ramgarh this morning by car. Dr. Prasad will stay in Mazharpuri till the conclusion of the Congress session.—A. P.

LUCKNOW, March 6.

It is announced that the Secretary of State for India has appointed Messrs. Dhyan Swarup Sharma and Amarjit Kumar Dass to the Indian police in the United Provinces.—A P

## LIFE-SAVING WORK DURING MAGH MELA

### A.-I. Agrawal Seva Samiti Scouts' Services

The Hon. Secretary, the All-India Agrawal Seva Samiti Boy Scouts and Swimmers' Life-Saving Association, Allahabad writes:—

The Central camps of the All-India Agrawal Seva Samiti Boy Scouts and Swimmers' Life-Saving Association were pitched in the Allahabad Magh Mela grounds at the Sangam on the 6th January, 1940, and, as usual, it had its Sub-camp for the Swimming Section at the Sangam proper. The Mela commenced from the 14th January and laster till 24th February, 1940. There were four important bathing days. It is estimated that the rush of pilgrims on the Amawashya was about 15 lacs, and varied from one to six lacs on other days. The number of our scouts, volunteers, girl-guides, fire-fighters, swimmers and first-aiders was between 250 to 500 on important days and between 50 to 100 on ordinary days, and our force consisted mostly of our Central Troops and those from local educational institutions.

There were six fire accidents in the Mela on different days.

On Amawashya day, two boats capsized throwing over 30 men, women and children in deep waters. In all our Swimmers saved 48 lives during the month.

## *RELIEF FOR BARODA AGRICULTURISTS*

### *Fresh Remissions And Suspensions*

BARODA, March 7.

Owing to insufficient and scanty rainfall the Government of Baroda have granted relief in land revenue to the Khedut Khatedars of Petlad and Bhadran Mahals of Baroda District. The present relief has entailed remission of Rs. 2,854-6-0 and suspension of Rs. 1,478-7-0 in local cess of current dues and suspension of Rs. 2,75,889-15-8 in land revenue arrears and suspension of tagavi and loans amounting to Rs. 45,338-4-5.

Thus Government have so far granted remission of Rs. 92,471-7-3 and suspensions of Rs. 31,66,756-7-6 of the revenue assessment for the whole Raj.

Government have further sanctioned Rs. 14,28,970 for relief, in addition to the usual tagavi amounts sanctioned every year.—United Press.

## Curruption In Hyderabad Judicial Department

HYDERABAD, (Deccan), (By Mail).

The Corruption Enquiry Committee which was set up some months ago by the Hyderabad High Court has had a few sittings during which it discussed the question of the extent of prevalence of corruption in Hyderabad judiciary and also the various methods to be adopted to root out corruption as far as possible.

Mr. Syed Abdul Aziz, who took up the Law portfolio in the Nizam's State Government, early in February, has been giving his attention to this problem, in spite of the fact that he is greatly occupied with other important matters of the State.

Mr. Aziz's experience as Chairman of the Corruption Committee formed in Bihar during the Congress regime there will stand him in good stead in dealing with similar problems here.

It is stated that the reports of the Bihar and United Provinces Anti-Corruption Committees revealed certain facts which show that the problem in Hyderabad State is not more serious than, or even as serious as that which exists in certain parts of British India.

TOUR IN FAMINE AREA

Raja Shamraj Rajwant Bahadur, the P. W. D. Member accompanied by Mr. M. Gopalan, Special Superintending Engineer, in charge of famine works has left on a tour of twelve days for an inspection of famine works. The tour will cover the districts of Asifabad, Kareemnagar and Nizamabad.

50 BEGGARS ARRESTED

About fifty beggars arrested by the Secunderabad police on the charge of importuning for alms were placed before Mr. H. St. C. Smith, Second Magistrate. The Magistrate sentenced them to pay fines varying from Rs. 20 to annas eight.

Four beggars immediately paid their fines of Rs. 20 each, in preference to having to undergo six weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

## *STATES' PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE*

### *Standing Committee Meeting At Ramgarh On Mar. 16*

DOHAD, March 6.

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the All-India States' People's Conference will be held at Ramgarh on March 16 next. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the Conference, will preside.

It is learnt that a deputation on behalf of the Jobat Allrajpur subjects will wait on Pandit Nehru to apprise him of the present political conditions of these States. Jobat is a small State in Central India Agency, its area being 131 sq. miles, population 21,152 and annual revenue Rs. 79,000.—United Press.

## *ELECTRICITY FOR VIJAPUR TALUKA*

BARODA, March 6.

The Baroda Government has granted a licence for thirty years to Mr. R. M. Yagnik for supplying electricity to Vasai (Vijapur taluka) and area within a radius of five miles. As is usual in the State, the licence is conditional to the licensee supplying current for agricultural purposes at the rate of one anna per unit.

This is of great importance for the development of agriculture in this area, as efforts are being made to tap the substratum water by sinking a number of tube wells.—United Press.

The Government of Bombay has now sanctioned as a permanent measure the temporary arrangements made three years ago at the Government Central Mental Hospital, Yeravda, for special accommodation and other facilities to patients who are prepared to pay for them.

# ANOTHER WAR OF NERVES

### Precautions In Holland And Belgium

Sir George Duff-Sutherland-Dunbar is a former officer of the Indian Army with extensive knowledge of India and India's Frontiers. He has written a standard history of India (translated into German) and books on the Frontier tribes. He is well-known for his frequent broadcast talks on India. In the Great War he was on the staff of Lord Kitchener at the war Office.

Sir George writes:

A major event in Western Europe has been the German threat against the Low Countries, and it is typical of Nazi methods.

A noticeable increase in the number of German divisions on the Dutch frontier, military road-making and ominous news from Berlin, supported by films of the Meuse fortifications found in a Nazi 'plane that came down in Belgium—all pointed towards invasion.

While the military movements could perhaps be read as dispositions to avoid an undesirable depth of troops i.e. the Western Wall, there were about a million men on the frontier between the Rhine and the Saar. The precautions taken by Holland and Belgium were wise and natural in face of a crisis.

The high tension has relaxed, and Holland and Belgium have had the advantage of another practice in at least partial mobilisation. They are stronger and better prepared than they were when they had a similar experience in November.

RISK V. ADVANTAGE.

The situation can be summarised as follows:

Herr Hitler's decision may be to launch, at his selected moment, a general offensive extending to a flank of the Maginot Line.

This would mean an attack through Holland and Belgium.

The advantages of submarine bases and aerodromes so close to England (which would cut both ways), might be held to outweigh the risk of opening out the war and bringing the Low Countries in against him. Belgium has about 700,000 well-trained troops available, and whatever might happen in Holland, the Belgian army has a sound defensive position along the line of the Albert canal.

The threat to these countries may be taken as an example of Nazi technique in the war of nerves, and Germany is always busy on the psychological front.

## DISCRIMINATING PROTECTION IN INDIA

### A Survey Of The Tariff Since 1924

An analysis of charges in the tariff since the inauguration of the policy of discriminating protection is published in "The History of the Indian Tariff: 1924-39" by Mr. B. N. Adarkar, issued by the office of the Economic Adviser to the Government of India.

The analysis shows the great changes which have occurred in recent years and gives the grounds therefor.

Upto 1923 the fiscal policy of India was guided solely by revenue needs and no protective or preferential considerations played any important part in the framing of the tariff. Although during the war and post-war periods the tariff became distinctly more diversified than before with the introduction of three new schedules namely 2-1/2 per cent, 10 per cent, and the luxury schedules and the reintroduction of export duties on some articles, the general structure remained very much simpler than it is at present.

The financial needs of the war and post-war period necessitated an increased extraction of revenue from this source and the general rate was subjected to successive increases from 5 per cent. before 1916 to 7-1/2 per cent. in 1916, to 11 per cent. in 1921 and 15 per cent. in 1922, but it is significant that it remained unchanged at this level for nine years from 1922 to 1931. Before 1931 the luxury rate was also changed only once i.e., in 1922 from 20 to 30 per cent.

A detailed analysis is presented of tariff changes for iron and steel, cotton textile, sericulture, bamboo paper and pulp, match, heavy chemicals, gold thread and sugar industries. In each case the grounds on which protection was granted and the main recommendations of the Tariff Boards which were appointed from time to time have been explained. Moreover an attempt has been made to explain the significance of every important tariff change and to answer all questions which arise from it regarding the scope of the protective tariff, the actual level of duties and the method of assessment.

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE

The survey also includes a discussion of the way in which the policy of Imperial Preference and the steps taken to regulate the Indo-Japanese trade have affected the structure of the Indian tariff. The main principles which were observed in determining the scope of the trade agreements with the United Kingdom and Colonies are explained.

Revenue changes and other miscellaneous amendments and tariff increases, the proceeds from which were allocated to specific purposes (e.g., the duty on motor spirit) are also treated. The changes made in the export tariff since 1924 are summarised.

## New Chairman Of Public Service Commission

SHILLONG, March 6.

The Governor has been pleased to appoint with effect from March 24 or from a subsequent date Mr. Edmund Plunkett Burkee, I. S. E. (retd.), to be chairman of the Public Service Commission, Assam, vice Mr. James Hezzlett, I.C.S., (retired).—A. P.

LONDON, March 7.

Altogether 10 Italian colliers reached the downs control to-day bringing the total of Italian vessels detained upto 16 with estimated total tonnage 800,000 and coal cargoes amounting to a 100,000 tons.—Reuter.

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# BOMBAY and SUBURBS

## Local Engagements

### To-day

Hindu: Magh Vad 30 1996
Muslim: Moharram 28 1359
Parsi: Meher 5, 1309
Hightide: — 12-00
Lowtide: 5-56 17-46
Sunrise: 6h. 54m.
Sunset: 6h. 46m.

ANDHRA MAHASABHA

Under the auspices of the Andhra Mahasabha, Bombay, a public meeting will be held at its premises at Kuverkunj, Parsi Colony, Dadar, to-day (Friday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.) when Mr. Swami Venkatachalam Chetty and Mr. Anant Sayanam Ayyangar, members of Central Assembly will address.

MR. NIGAM'S SILVER JUBILEE OF SOCIAL SERVICE

A preliminary meeting of friends and admirers of Mr. B. Nigam, who will celebrate his Silver Jubilee of Social Service this year, held on Thursday afternoon at Bhuleshwar has decided to celebrate the occasion and also present a purse to Mr. Nigam.

'G' WARD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE

The meeting of the Council of Management of the 'G' Ward District Congress Committee which was adjourned on Sunday last will be held to-day (Friday) at 9 p.m. in the Congress Committee's Office.

BOMBAY SECONDARY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

The Bombay Secondary Teachers' Association will hold the Third Teachers' Day, to-morrow (Saturday) at 8-15 p.m. at the Robert Money School. Mr. B. G. Kher will preside.

## Amusements Of The Day

CAPITOL—"Ranga Mela Revue" To-day at 6-30 only.
REGAL—"Drums Along The Mohawk" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Another Thin Man". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Mighty Chang". Tonight at 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Flying Deuces" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Ek he Bhool" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Apni Nagaria" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kangan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"The Will" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Pukar" Daily at 3-45, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Jawani-ki Reet" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Kum-Kum". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Achhut" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Gorakhnath" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Tarzan Finds A Son" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Raigadh" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
PLAZA—"My Beloved" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
EDWARD—"Spider's Web" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.

## Dr. Montessori's Programme In Bombay

Dottoressa Maria Montessori and Signor Mario Montessori who are at present touring Gujarat will arrive in Bombay by the Gujarat Mail at 7-25 a.m. at the Central Station to-morrow (Saturday).

The same evening Dr. Montessori will be entertained to Tea by the Mayor of Bombay in the Corporation Hall at 4-30 p.m.

Dr. Montessori will deliver her first lecture, which will be on "Society and the Child", at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Public Hall on Monday, March 11 at 6-30 p.m. Admission will be by tickets which can be had from the Secretaries, N. E. F., The New Era School, Hughes Road, Bombay 7.

MEETING OF PROGRESSIVE MUSLIMS

In order to give effect to the resolution passed by the Muslim League Workers' Board, a meeting of Progressive Muslims will be held at 9 p.m. to-day (Friday) at the "Chotani Jamatkhana" Kambekar Street (near Pydhownie); to devise ways and means to co-ordinate the activities and consolidate the forces of progressive elements among the Muslims.

PARSI A. R. P. CLASS AT GRANT ROAD

A Short A. R. P. Course class under the auspices of Parsi A. R. P. Committee will commence at the Tutorial High School, Grant Road from Wednesday, March 13, at 5-30 p.m. Those desiring to take advantage of the same may apply to the Hon. Sec. Parsi A. R. P. Committee at 468, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay stating their age, occupation and address.

WILSON HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' UNION

The annual social of the Wilson High School Old Boys' Union will be held to-morrow (Saturday) at 5-15 p.m. at the School Hall. Mr. B. G. Kher will preside.

SIR DORABJI TATA GRADUATE SCHOOL CONVOCATION

The Second Convocation of the Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Work will be held in the compound of the Nagpada Neighbourhood House to-day (Friday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) Mrs Sarojini Naidu will deliver the Convocation address on the subject "A Manifold Mission."

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

At their meeting held on 5th instant the Trustees of the Port of Bombay sanctioned certain proposals for improving intercommunication between the main telephone systems; the resultant saving from reduction of staff will exceed the cost of the additional communications.

A proposal that the Port Trust should join the Bombay Engineering Employers' Federation was approved; and the Chief Engineer was nominated as the Trustees' representative on the Federation.

## National Guards Gathering And Dinner

Hon. Gen. Secretary, Bombay National Guards, writes:—

The social gathering and the dinner party of the Bombay National Guards will be held on Sunday, the 10th instant at 7-30 p.m. at Kison Mahal, Tribhuvan Road, Bombay 4.

The subscription fee for the members is annas 6 and for outsiders annas eight. Those who want to participate in this function must give their names with subscription to Dr. P. S. Nair, Kison Mahal, Tribhuvan Road, Bombay 4, or to Mr. K. N. Gaitonde, Popular Insurance Co. Ltd., Prospect Chambers, Fort, or to Mr. V. R. Modak, Congress House, Bombay 4, by Thursday (7th instant).

Members of the Bombay National Guards must come to the Marine Lines Maidan to-day (Thursday) at 6-30 a.m. with their subscriptions.

A special general body meeting of the Bombay National Guards will be held on Saturday, the 9th instant at 6-30 a.m. at the Marine Lines Maidan.

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## Nagpur Notes

### SEGAON TO BECOME SEVAGRAM

(From Our Correspondent.)
NAGPUR, Mar. 5.

A Gazette notification says that the village Segaon in the Wardha District, Tahsil Wardha, shall be named as Sevagram.

MAHAKOSHAL CONFERENCE.

The Executive Committee of the Bilaspur Congress Committee has decided to hold the 8th session of the Mahakoshal Political Conference at Chandrapur in Janjgir Tahsil, 16 miles away from the Raigarh Railway Station.

BURHANPUR RIOT INQUIRY.

The Burhanpur Riot inquiry was finished on February 28. The inquiry will now commence at Jubbulpore for examining the only witness, the Commissioner, Jubbulpore Division.

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

On the invitation of Mr. K. P. Narayanan, Editor, "Nagpur Times", the leading journalists of the city met at the office of the "Nagpur Times" for an "At Home" and decided to form a press Association for safeguarding the interests of journalists. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mr. G. A. Ogle, editor of the Maharashtra, on Sunday March 10.

## YOUTH RUNS AMOK

### Stabs Wife And Several Others

(From Our Correspondent.)
TINNEVELLY, Mar. 7.

Suspecting his wife's fidelity, a youngman stabbed his wife and running is alleged to have stabbed several others. Two died on the spot and one succumbed in Hospital.

## RANGA MELA REVUE

The second programme of the Ranga Mela Revue, which the Harindranath—Sunita Art-Players have been presenting at the 'Capitol Theatre,' includes six new items but retains "Radha—the lonely", "Classical Nritya", "Curd-seller" and "Grass-Cutters"—the outstanding ones. Sunitadevi's debut on the stage has been a definite success. She has distinguished herself as a gifted and brilliant exponent of dance. Her supple and rhythmic movements and graceful and expressive gestures render "Holi" a delightful item.

Mohanlal is delicate and perfectly free in his movements and gestures in the interpretation of "Kamdeva". The second programme introduces Mahendra-Kumar—a budding and talented artiste. He is forceful and accurate in the technique in the execution of his solo "Sandhya-vandan". Miss Rohini Wagle has freedom of movements in "Puja". "The Boatmen" led by Harin and the "Bhil-dance" are interesting items.

D. G. V

## "Iron Lungs" For Bombay Province

BOMBAY, Mar. 6.

Regarding Bombay's share of the "Iron Lungs" offered to be installed in all parts of the British Empire by Lord Nuffield, it is learnt that the Bombay Government had requisitioned six of these "Lungs" for their own hospitals and had further recommended the supply on nine "Lungs" to such other hospitals in the Province, which provided over hundred beds and which asked for these "Lungs".

Of the Government hospitals two "Lungs" are to be supplied to Sir J. J. Hospital and one each to St. George, G. T. Sassoon Hospital, Poona, and the Government Hospital at Ahmedabad respectively.

The St. George, G. T. and Sassoon Hospitals have already received their "Lung" and the others will receive theirs in due course.—A. P.

## Dr. Ambedkar's Support To D. V. Belvi

(From Our Correspondent)
BELGAUM, March 7.

Voters in Karnatak are receiving letters from Dr. Ambedkar to support Mr. D. V. Belvi, who is a landlord's candidate for the Legislative Council. This is considered strange by many as Dr. Ambedkar is supposed to champion the tenants' cause.

Mr. Morarji Desai, in an article contributed to 'Warta' of Belgaum says that the tenancy legislation is as much for the benefit of landlords as the tenants. Congress was never anti-landlord as was clear from the fact that Dharwar Inamdars' lands were restored by the Congress Ministry.

THE HOLY BATH

A Mahashivratri Day (Thursday) view at Chowpatty.

*Duty Of Govt.*

## To Uphold Freedom Of Press

### Hyderabad High Court Dismisses Case Against Vernacular Daily

(From Our Correspondent.)
HYDERABAD, (Dn.) (By Mail).

An important judgment affecting the freedom of Press was delivered by the Divisional Bench of the Hyderabad High Court, in a case wherein on behalf of certain accused in a criminal case Mr. N. K. Rao had requested the Court to take proceedings against "Rahber-i-Deccan", a vernacular daily of Hyderabad.

Dismissing the application of Mr. N. K. Rao His Lordship Mr. Alam Ali Khan said that it should be the duty of the Governments and Courts to uphold the freedom of press and give them greater latitude to serve the public at large and not to curb the little freedom which they possessed.

His Lordship Justice Mr. Lakshma Reddy concurred with Mr. Alam Ali Khan.

## READY TO MERGE INTO BARODA STATE

### Gujarat-Kathiawar Talukdars' Decision

(From Our Correspondent.)
AHMEDABAD, Mar. 6.

Reports of a private conference of several Gujrat and Kathiawar Talukdars and small States held here recently, reveal that a major section is in favour of merging into Baroda State and they will communicate their conclusions to the Political department of the Government of India in the near future.

An authoritative conference of the Kathiawar Talukdars and small Estate-holders will meet in the next week to arrive at a decision for merging in any State.

## LORRY WRECKED AND ONE MAN KILLED

### Collision With Railway Engine

QUETTA, March 7.

One person was killed and three were seriously injured as a result of a collision between a motor lorry and a railway engine at a level crossing in Quetta cantonment last night.

The lorry was completely wrecked.

The injured, who were removed to hospital, are reported to be progressing satisfactorily.—A. P. Special.

## PUBLICITY OFFICERS' CONFERENCE?

### For Co-ordination Of Central And Provincial Matters

NEW DELHI, March 7.

Mr. F. H. Puckle, Director General of Information, has, at the suggestion of a number of Provincial Publicity Officers, called a meeting of Directors of Information in the various provinces for the first week of April. All provinces except Madras and Assam are expected to be represented.

It is understood that the conference will consider various administrative questions, the delimitation of spheres as between the Centre and the Provinces, co-ordination between the two and general matters on which the Centre and the Provinces can be of mutual assistance.—A. P.

## HINDUS OBSERVE SHIVRATRI FESTIVAL

BOMBAY, Thursday.

To-day is Mahashivratri holiday which the Hindus in the city enjoy with great eclat. This day is dedicated to the worship of Shiva, the "Destroyer" among the Hindu trinity. A complete fast is observed throughout the day and night, and the Shiva Linga is worshipped at night with offerings of "Ketaki" flowers and wood apple leaves.

There is an interesting legend connected with this festival which appears to be as old as in Mahabharat. It is stated that on this night a wicked hunter, being overtaken by darkness in a forest, had sought safety on a "Bel" tree. Shivering from cold and hunger, he had involuntarily caused a few leaves of the tree to fall on a Shiv Linga which was lying beneath. A few tears of his also had fallen on the sacred stone.

This fact together with the involuntary fast and vigil he kept throughout this sacred night, earned for him untold merit and happiness in heaven in his later life.

Indeed in his next life he was born as Chitra Bhanu, an illustrious king of the Ikshvaku dynasty. The festival is observed by all Hindus of Shaivite persuasion, the corresponding festival of the Vaishnavites being the Krishna Janmastami.

Thousands of Hindus went to Chowpatty this morning for sea bath. Special police arrangements were made to regulate the traffic. Banks and public offices were closed and the day presented a holiday appearance.

## Matunga Reception To Mudaveedu Krishnarao

A reception under the joint auspices of Kannada Associations in Bombay was given to Mr. Mudaveedu Krishnarao, President of the Kannada Sahitya Sammelan, at the Napoo Hall gardens, Mr. M. R. Gopalachar presiding.

Mr. Krishnarao traced the achievements of Karnataka in the past and spoke on problems of Karnatak and said that unless Karnatak became a separate province, it would be impossible for them to make any real progress.

VISIT TO KANNADA NIGHT SCHOOL

Mr. Mudaveedu Krishnarao, also paid a visit to the Sharada Vijaya Kannada Free Night School at Gamdevi where illiterate boys after their daily labour in hotels etc., were receiving instruction in Kannada for two hours in the evening. Mr. Krishnarao expressed his pleasure at the self-sacrifice and spirit of public service shows by the organisers of the School in conducting the School against great odds for the benefit of Kannada boys in Bombay. He also addressed the boys.

## Red Cross Pageant

Two and a half hours' entertainment will be provided for the thousands who attend the Red Cross pageant, organised by the Bombay Presidency Red Cross Fund, at the Brabourne Stadium, Bombay, on either Saturday, March 30, or Sunday, March 31.

On March 30 the pageant will last from 9-30 to 12 p.m. and the next day it will be staged between 6 and 8-30 p.m.

## Thundershowers In Assam And Bengal

POONA, March 7.

There has been local thundershowers in Assam, Bengal and Chota Nagpur and scattered thundershowers in Orissa and South Bihar. Scattered light showers also occurred in northeast Baluchistan and Upper Sind.

Chief amounts of rainfall were: Cox's Bazar one and half inches; Burdwan, Gopalpur one; Saugor Island, Sandheads half; Chittagong, Calcutta, Berhampore and Ranchi quarter.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observation during 24 hours ending at 8 a.m. of 7-3-1940.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.009 inches

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 73.3 degrees

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 57.8 degrees

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 83.4 degrees 1.5 below normal

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 70.6 degrees 0.6 above normal

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 74 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. ENE

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 5 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 167 miles

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 19 miles per hour

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 5

Rainfall in 24 hours 0.04 inches

Total rainfall during the month 0.04 inches

Total rainfall during the year 1.19 inches

Weather remarks: Rain

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 7-3-1940

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 76.8 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.87 inches.

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# BLOW TO INDUSTRIES

The Select Committee on the Excess Profits Bill has made only minor improvements in the Bill, which will still be a serious blow to industrial progress in the country. The raising of the limit of exemption from Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 30,000 and the exclusion of life insurance companies from the operation of the Bill will doubtless be some relief to the interests spared, and the inclusion of the year 1938-39 among the standard years will be a slight benefit to the few industries which did well during this year, particularly to the textile and steel industries. Other improvements are either of a dubious character or such as Government themselves must have contemplated for a show of compromise even when they drafted the Bill Justifying the latter only as a war measure, Government could not consistently refuse to levy the tax only during the continuance of the war and on profits earned only after September 1 and not April 1, as originally proposed. But little importance can be attached to the new provision that the rate of the tax may be revised every year being included in the annual Finance Acts. Government know that every year they can get what they want—through certification, it not legislation. The six dissenting minutes in the Select Committee's report show that the Bill, even as amended, is extremely defective. Government are themselves aware of the many defects in it and it is most uncertain assurance that they have given that they will undertake fresh legislation which is in their opinion necessary or desirable to remedy shortcomings which may reveal themselves in the working of the Bill when passed.

## *Making India Weak*

The burden of the Excess Profits Tax is heavy enough. But almost crushing is the cumulative effect of that together with the other new taxes on a poor country already heavily taxed. The Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industries does not in the least exaggerate the effect of the new tax burdens when, in a representation to the Government of India it says: "The Committee doubt whether after the imposition of so many additional burdens, the people of this country would be left with any appreciable income in their pockets to stand the inevitable strain which they would have to bear during the post-war slump. The Committee have grave apprehensions that if the Government persist in imposing these burdens without any regard whatever to the capacity of the country to bear them instead of helping the country to put her house in order, the Government may be responsible for making the country weak and helpless at the end of the war." It is idle to contend that all the new taxes will be borne only by the rich. As Mr. Shantidas Askuran pointed out in the Council of State during the debate on the Budget, the enhanced railway rates and the additional duty on petrol will adversely affect a large body of poor people even in the countryside. The tax on sugar also will hit hard an infant industry and lakhs of cane-growers.

## *The Simple Fact*

To lull the people in the belief that in spite of heavy taxation the war has brought forth big industrial possibilities in India Government are understood to be contemplating the appointment of a Board of eminent industrialists and scientists to undertake industrial research. Government have never been slow to appoint committees. But these avail but little if Indian industries are crippled by preference to Britain, by commercial safeguards for the British and by taxes levied even on a protected industry like sugar. Only last year the protection to sugar was suddenly reduced, but Government then gave the assurance that at least the reduced amount of protection would be continued for two years certain. And now the duty on sugar is suddenly raised. Such fiscal vagaries are hardly calculated to induce the flow of capital into new industries, whatever may be the recommendations of industrial research bureaus. The simple fact is that national industries cannot be fostered to their full extent except by a National Government.

# "Concession" To Arabs

The Jews, of course, do not recognise the justice of any Arab claims in Palestine. They are unable to be guided by reason or considerations of ethics in this matter. But they are, from the point of view of their own interests, worse than unwise in opposing Britain's new Land Regulation policy, for their attitude shows tragic blindness to the fact that it is not the ploughfields of Palestine but the battlefields in Europe which are going to settle the question of their life or death. As to the Land Regulations themselves, they, of course, constitute a climb down by Britain. But this concession to the Arabs by no means solves the problem. The Arabs are still far away from the achievements of their just rights in their own country.

Nor is the present concession a recognition by Britain of those rights. Mr. MacDonald has himself confessed that much. Moreover, he has virtually admitted that his whole object is to lull Arab and Indian opposition, especially when the Near East is going to be the scene of critical happenings in Britain's war. The opposition of British Labour to the concession is even more cynical. Labour's sympathy for the Jews to the extent of denying Arab rights has been long and well-known. But could it not occur to the Labour spokesman that he was being positively blatant when he declared that "Mr. MacDonald's proposed course was of deliberately violating British obligations and striking a blow at a great principle for which we were at war?"

# The War Budget

*By Dr. M. S. NATARAJAN*

In spite of the Budget's apparent lucidity and the disarming manner of presentation in it, the Indian public finds it hard to understand how it is necessary, the circumstances being what they are, to undergo dire sacrifices in the very first year of the War. To put it in a nutshell, the total burden that is sought to be placed on the tax-payer comes at least to Rs. 11.55 crores. The increase in railway fares is going to transfer, according to the Railway Member himself, from the pockets of the people—mainly the poor people, to the coffers of the Government about Rs. 5.25 crores. The Excess Profits is expected to yield about Rs. 3 crores while the increase in sugar excise and motor spirits are expected to yield Rs. 1.90 crores and Rs. 1.40 crores respectively.

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Consistent with the tradition—rather their complascent habit—the Government must have underestimated the yield from their tax proposals. If we take the budget estimates, revised estimates and the actuals for the years 1934-35, 1935-36, 1936-37, 1937-38, 1938-39 and 1939-40, we would find that they have underestimated their revenues in 1934-35, 1935-36 1937-38 and 1939-40. Overestimation only arose in 1936-37 and 1938-39. In other words, even in normal times, the Finance Member always safely errs on the side of underestimation of his revenues two out of every three times. With new tax proposals like the Excess Profits Duty, the chances for this sort of underestimation are far greater. The Excess Profits Duty in 1919 was expected to yield about Rs. 8 crores but it actually gave a revenue of about Rs. 11 crores. With uptodate incometax machinery at their disposal, it stands to reason the Government would now manage to get their revenue as much as possible. If some non-official estimates are correct the proper figure in regard to this duty would be nearer 6 crores than Rs. 3 crores.

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The increase in duty on motor spirits, probably, is mainly to offset the advantageous effect on the motor transport industry which the increase in Railway rates gives. The point is that not only the advantage is counteracted but also a great burden is imposed on the road transport industry. While the rise in passenger and goods charges is by 6.25 per cent and 12.50 per cent respectively, the increase in duty on motor spirits amounts to 20 per cent. It is unnecessary to dilate on the point that even the existing inadequate transport system of this huge country is likely to be badly damaged on account of this taxation.

The facile assumption of the Finance Member that the increase in motor spirits and refined sugar is going to affect only the middle class has no justification. No statistics are available nor has any investigation been made now or at any time on the incidence of these or similar duties.

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It is stated by many, that it would be very difficult to pass on the increase in duties to any one. It is held that only those on whom the duties fall would have to shoulder the burden. The Sugar industry is already undergoing heavy strain. It is already in a bad plight between the fixed cane prices on the one hand and on the other by the maximum prices decided by the prices at which Java Sugar can be imported into the country. The increase in railway rates has added further to the difficulty. On the top of these, the raising of the exercise duty by 50 per cent. is simply piling Mount Ossa on Pelion. On account of these ever increasing tax burdens, it is stated, that the factories are now left without any margin of profit and that despite high prices of sugar.

India has now become accustomed to the frequent breach of the universally accustomed doctrine that Government should not interfere with a protected industry with crippling taxes. The whole history of the Excise Duty on sugar is an instance in point. The Government of India announced only in March 1939 that the altered quantum of protection would be applicable for a period of two years from April 1939, i.e., till 31st March 1941. Only a year has passed and the Government have again upset their own decision.

The entire policy of the Finance Member in raising the required fund by means of taxation is open to grave criticism. War finance is never carried on by taxation alone. In this connection one should not be carried away by any policy that is being favoured in England.

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The Finance Member has stressed strongly in his budget speech on the principle of joint responsibility for the external defence of India. In this he has only echoed an important recommendation of the Chatfield Committee. According to the Committee, on account of the changed international circumstances, India should not merely safeguard her own frontiers and coast lines but must also co-operate in the defence of strategic places outside her borders. One immediate consequence is that now India has to foot the bill herself for the maintenance of her troops at such places like Singapore, Egypt, etc. Formerly it was the British Exchequer that bore all the expenses of Indian troops stationed outside the Indian border. The "joint responsibility", if nothing else, at least means an increased military expenditure by the country. It is pertinently suggested that as the very conception of defending a country far beyond its own borders is an Imperial idea which only empires with possessions in different parts of the globe require, India cannot with any justification be asked to contribute for the Imperialistic designs of the United Kingdom. The provision by the Finance Member for a lump sum payment of Rs. 1 crore to be made towards the extra cost of maintaining India's troops for external defence, is not quite clear.

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The Finance Member has spoken enthusiastically of the alteration in the Niemeyer formula by the recent Distribution of Revenues Amendment Order. The advantages claimed on behalf of the new method are that the Provinces would henceforth receive considerably more than they did during the past few years. Although the Railway contribution should not be taken into consideration the Provinces, it is argued, would gain in other ways. It is stated that the new scales now in operation and the general tightening up of administration will produce considerably more revenue from income tax and this greater yield will benefit the provinces immediately and to the specified extent of half the total divisible proceeds less Rs. 4.50 crores. Above all, it is claimed, the new formula will enable the provinces to estimate more correctly what they would be able to obtain from the Centre instead of the uncertainty of former times. These arguments are all controverted by the politicians and economists of the country. They hold that the provinces stand to lose considerably of their share of income-tax and it is unjustifiable to argue that they should not now benefit from the increased railway earnings while they had to suffer all along on account of the fluctuations of the railway receipts in the former years. It is also widely held that changing the allocation of income-tax every now and then is bad in principle and that in any case there is no justification for such a far-reaching change in the financial relations between the Centre and the Provinces behind the back of the public and that it is tantamount to a definite breach of contract with the Provinces.

# Whither Law?

**By Jal R. Vimadalal**

By the common law of England no person can recover damages for the death of another. This antique rule, however, has now been abrogated by the English Law Reforms Act of 1934.

Apart from the new act, Flint v Lowell had laid down that a person injured in an accident can recover damages for the shortening of his expectation of life. Then in 1937 one Mabel Rose, 23 years of age died as a result of a collision between a motor-cycle and a motor car. And under the new Act, the House of Lords ruled in Rose v. Ford that the fight of an unfortunate victim of a traffic accident to recover damages for loss of expectation of life passed to his or her legal representatives. But Law was not satisfied with this. Its ingenuity suggested a still further and a very fantastic extension of the rule in Rose v. Ford. And in Morgan V. Scoulding Mr. Justice Lewis stretched it to extraordinary limits. A young man of 23 was killed instantaneously when, travelling on a motor-cycle at 60 m.p.h., he crashed into a car. On these facts,—that there was no interval between the collision and his death, one would have thought that the very idea of loss of expection could not at all have occurred to the mind of that ill-fated person. But the Court of King's Bench actually awarded £1.000/- as damages on the ground that even though the deceased lived only a split second after the impact, the cause of action arose in that split second and on death supervening, the right to recover damages for loss of expectation passed to the administrator of the victim.

Law is prosaic by nature and one would have least expected it to recognise needle-eyed concepts of time which are almost poetic. One wonders where it will land us if Law turns romantic and forsakes its customary sternness!

Startling, however, as are these infinitesimal niceties of Law, and sympathetic as they are in effect to the bereaved family, it is rather reassuring to the Bombay motorist to discover that there is a fair chance of evading them as a happy but unconscious result of the decision of the Bombay High Court in Motilal v. Harnarain. S. 306 of the Indian Succession Act lays down the rule that all causes of action vested in the deceased survive to his legal representatives. As one of the exceptions to this rule the section itself refers to "personal inquiries not causing the death of the party". In the case of Motilal v. Harnarain our High Court has given a liberal interpretation to the latter expression and has held that it is not confined to physical injuries. Does the claim of the Executor or Administrator for damages in respect of loss of the deceased's expectation of life fall under this exception? If it does, whenever the point arises we feel that it will be held that in Bombay a claim under the rule in Rose v. Ford is untenable as the right to recover damages for loss of expectation would not on death pass to the legal representatives. And yet another query suggest itself to us—Is a claim for loss of expectation a separate cause of action in itself to be separately pleaded or is it merely a rule of damages for the guidance of the Court?

However, so far there has not been a single Indian decision to our knowledge in which the question of damages on the basis of Rose v. Ford has at all been considered and this is not at all surprising in view of the fact that the English authorities which gave birth to it are comparatively very recent in date.

If Rose v. Ford be followed in India, Morgan v. Scoulding will follow suit in no time—And woe be to the knock-down motorist! And then perhaps, as in A. P. Herbert's "more misleading cases", Law may regard a motor car as a wild beast or rather as the concentrated power of forty-five horses enclosed in a steel case! That would impose upon the "jackal-driver" that higher standard of care in Rylands v. Fletcher by which a person who brings "anything likely to do mischief must keep it at his peril," and the contributory negligence of the jay-walker would be no excuse. Till our fears and doubts on the point are dispelled all we can do is to sit tight gazing in wonder and amazement—WHITHER LAW?

# Frankly Speaking

## Sheer Vulgarity

We reproduce below the opening sentences of an article entitled "Gandhi—Muslim Enemy No. 1" and written by the *Star of India* of Calcutta, "the only Muslim daily" as it calls itself:—

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi once wrote a book which he called "My experiments with truth." He has never been truthful enough to disclose what was the result of those experiments. Many believe that under the guise of truth this crafty politician was actually experimenting with its opposite in order to discover how many people and for how long could they be duped through the practice of hypocrisy under the pretence of piety. As Gandhi advances in age and his plots thicken he reveals his nature more clearly and proves that those many were right. There are a few who still pathetically cling to their faith that his Gujarati *bania* has attend some sort of saintliness. They live in the complacent paradise of fools and are indeed the victims of his "experiments".

We do not want to comment upon the taste and culture displayed by "the only Muslim Daily" of India edited by a Britisher We leave it to the judgment of decent Muslims of good sense. But just one word we feel it necessary to say Mr. Jinnah once drew Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's attention to criticisms of the Muslim League and League personality in a certain section of the Indian Press. He was painfully scandalised by its strong language. What has he to say about the positive vulgarity in his own press?

## Nazis And Neutrals

In a characteristically violent attack the Germans have given another warning to neutral countries. The language is both hectoring and impertinent. It is an ultimatum which ought to arouse considerably more severe comments among the countries concerned than the speech of Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty. But the neutrals are aware of the obvious danger of being dragged into the war. They will, therefore, have to suffer Nazi impertinence and bluster. For, quite naturally, they will undergo a great deal of sacrifice to keep out of the war.

## Gesture To India?

The Rhodes Trustees have decided to honour India by founding two Rhodes Scholarships annually for this country. This is generosity of the kind to which Mr. H. N. Brailsford referred the other day in connection with the dependent colonies. Inflicted as it is in the circumstances of today—the Rhodes Trust has been in existence for decades without being aware of the existence of India—it may constitute a compliment to Herr Hitler but it is certainly no better than a cheap and ironical gesture to India. It is no substitude for what India needs, demands and is determined to get. A few naive and well-meaning Indians may welcome it. But for the rest of the people the gesture means nothing. The generous intervention of the Rhodes Trustees cannot influence the issue between India and Britain.

## Is The Tax Necessary?

The Government of India propose to tax agricultural exports in order to find funds for the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research. Agricultural research is doubtless essential in a country like India, and ordinarily such research is best undertaken by an All-India body. But as the Government of India are not national and the Imperial Council under them has yet to prove its eminence as an expert body, the people are naturally distrustful of the proposed tax and its possible net results. Only a small sum of Rs. 15 lakhs is expected from the proposed tax. Could not that sum be provided from the taxes already paid by the agriculturists? Even a small tax on agricultural exports may have a harmful effect on them, especially at a time when Government propose to control prices.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Sometimes it's a good thing if it turns out bad.

A peach of a girl ought to become a well-preserved woman.

Babies cry most when they realize that they look like some of their relatives.

Beware of the man who never did anything wrong. There's a first time for everything.

There would be no objection to boys being boys if they would only be men when they get to be men.

"There is no telling" would certainly be an appropriate motto for a sewing society—if the members would only live up to it.

# TÊTE-À-TÊTE

**WITHOUT COMMENT**

**CALCUTTA, March 6.**

**A public meeting at Shradhananda Park, which was being addressed by Mr. M. N. Roy, broke up to-day amidst scenes of confusion.**

**Mr. Roy was giving a narration of events after the resignation of the Congress presidentship by Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose. While he was criticising certain actions of Mr. Bose and the attitude of the "Forward Bloc" regarding Mr. Roy's presidential election, there were continuous interruptions from the audience and the meeting ended in disorder.**

**—A. P. I.**

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According to our Delhi correspondent, the Anglo-Indian Press wishes the Congress to be declared an unlawful association, before the Ramgarh session.

Which would dispose of the formal preliminary of a session.

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Our correspondent also quotes a remark in the Central Assembly lobby to the effect that "Government would not be caught napping."

That is to say, the Government are both wide and awake?

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A recent address of welcome to Deshgaurab Subash Chandra Bose reminded him of the shoes hurled by his followers at Mahatma Gandhi.

What the Deshgaurab hurled in reply is, unfortunately, not reported.

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Gandhiji, says a report, will present a gold vase to the winner of an extra-fine yarn spinning competition to be held at Ramgarh.

One needn't, of course, think twice before putting one's shirt on the Head of the Forward Bloc.

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**"Why Single Out India For Joint Responsibility In Imperial Defence?"**

—Headline to a speech in the Council of State.

The Honourable Orator ought to have rendered thanks that India was not singled out for sole responsibility in her defence by Britain.

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Reuter reports that the Rhodes Trustees have decided to found two Rhodes scholarships annually for India.

India, as Mr. Brailsford might say, ought to bless Adolph Hitler for it.

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Mr. R. A. Butler has declared that this time the whole people of Germany will be made to participate in the peace terms.

So far as Britain is concerned, the peoples of the whole Empire shared the responsibility in the last peace and will, of course, do so again, the Indian nation being represented by the Maharaja of Bikaner, Lord Sinha and Sir Md. Zafrullah Khan.

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The Emir of Trans-Jordania declares that British Land Regulations for Palestine are a slap in the face of Herr Hitler.

More appropriately it is a slap self-inflicted in the collective face of the British cabinet But do not let us argue with His Majesty.

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The British Prime Minister has changed his mind as regards the publication of documents concerning Anglo-Soviet negotiations.

When the origina decision was published, we actually wondered if, after all, there was really nothing to hide.

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Dr. Funk, the German Minister for National Economy, is officially announced to have been taken ill.

By National Economy or by Himmler's men or jointly by both?

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Caller: I'd like you to paint a portrait of my late uncle.'

Artist: 'Bring him in.'

'I said my late uncle.'

'Well, bring him in as soon as he gets here'

# Snell Sees No Fundamental Difficulties

## Optimism About Solution Of Indian Deadlock: Solicitude For Minorities

LONDON, March 7.

Lord Snell was the guest of honour at the Indian British Luncheon held at St. James's Court under the chairmanship of Mr. G. S. Dara, at which others present included Lord Lamington Sir Albion and Lady Chatterjee, Sir Harisingh Gower, Sir Findlater Stewart, Sir Alfred Watson, Mr. Yusaf Ali and Maulvi Shams from the London Mosque.

SNELL OPTIMISTIC

Lord Snell declared that he was not going to take the present situation in India too tragically. "I am an optimist", he added, "and I believe that difficulties such as they are at present are not fundamental. They are the growing pains out of which something will be produced. Those of us who were at the Round Table Conference and on the Indian Select Committee tried to extend as far as we could the scope of the 1935 Act and we felt that in the working of Provincial Governments our faith was being justified. I ask Indian friends to believe that the British people as a whole are full of goodwill towards India. All of us want to have most clear, definite and unbreakable friendship between India and ourselves. And if the Indian people look at our work from the administrative point of view, they will see that we have many difficulties to face, which are not of our own creation. We must try and take the Minorities with us in the forward march toward whatever goal it is to be."—Reuter.

# Fresh Attempts To Dislodge Sind Ministry

## HINDU INDEPENDENTS, CONGRESS AND MUSLIM LEAGUE TO JOIN HANDS

KARACHI, March 7.

Fresh attempts to dislodge the Allahbux Ministry will be made by the Opposition during voting on the Budget Demands, which will be resumed to-morrow.

The Hindu Independent Party this morning decided to throw out all government demands with the support of the Muslim League and the Congress party, who also decided to oppose the demands.

Five members, who seceded from the Hindu Independent Party, withdrew their resignations and attended the party meeting this morning.—United Press.

## COLLABORATION IN MANDATED TERRITORIES

### "Times'" Suggestion For Fr. Co-operation To Solve Palestine Problem

LONDON, March 7.

An important suggestion is made by the "Times" in an editorial commenting on the Palestine Land Regulations.

The paper says that manifestly the regulation of land tenure can scarcely have value at all except as a step towards the settlement of the larger constitutional issue. There is no alternative but to go forward towards Federal Constitution. It is well worth considering whether close co-operation between Britain and France might not be most valuably developed in their Colonial Dominions and Mandated Territories. Syria, Palestine and Trans-Jordania are naturally conjoined by geography, history and common interest. Their intractable problems, which are largely the product of their narrow provincial boundaries, might well assume a more hopeful aspect in the larger atmosphere of collaboration.—Reuter.

## NAZIS SHUN HIGH SEAS

TOKIO, March 7.

The nine Germans, who were removed from the Japanese liner "Asama Maru" and handed back to the Japanese authorities by the British Government left Yokohama this afternoon on their way to Germany by the Trans-Siberian route.—Reuter.

### Mailbags Removed From Japanese Liner

OSAKA, March 7.

The Japanese liner "Bangkok Maru" was boarded by French Naval and Water Police authorities at Haiphong yesterday and mails addressed to Germany were removed according to a message from the owners quoted by the Domei Agency.—Reuter.

### Canadian Airforce In Britain

The overseas headquarters of the Royal Canadian Air Force has now been established in Britain. Hitherto there has only been a liaison officer and the new development marks an important stage in Canada's progressive contribution to the Empire's war effort.

This announcement was made by the Canadian Minister for National Defence, Mr. Norman McLeod Rogers, who also revealed that a major section of the new organisation had arrived in Great Britain. Officers and men arrived and landed a few days ago and have now joined those, who proceeded overseas in advance of the Canadian Army Co-operation Squadron, which landed a fortnight ago to make arrangements for its reception.

## AFRIDIS OUT TO FIGHT 'GODLESS RUSSIA'

### Seven Divisions Send Joint Letter To Governor

PESHAWAR, Mar. 6.

More than a lakh of Afridi tribesmen are ready to fight against Russia, according to a report published in the "Daily Sarhad".

It is stated that seven divisions of Afridis have sent a joint letter to the Governor informing him of the unanimous decision of the tribe to fight the Russians voluntarily with their own arms if Russia attacked any of the Eastern Powers. As Muslims, the tribesmen consider it to be their sacred duty to prevent a godless nation like Russia from succeeding in her designs.

It is added that the Afridis are fully aware of the satanic policy of Russian Government.

Concluding, the tribesmen are stated to have given the assurance that they would try their best to convert other important tribes to their views.—A. P.

### Allies' Mastery Of Seas

PARIS: During the first six months of the war only four ships out of over 2,000 convoyed by the French Navy were lost, declared M. Campinchi in a statement.

"At the end of the first six months of hostilities the Allies' mastery of the seas with the exception of the Baltic is better assured than ever."

Discussing German shipping losses M. Campinchi said: "The French Navy has given blow for blow. One submarine has been sunk for nearly every merchantman sunk. The destroyer "Simoun" has just brought the number of U-Boats sunk by our sea and air patrols to twelve."

"Submarines, planes and mines of the enemies sunk fifteen French merchantmen with a total tonnage of 71,500, but if the entry into service of new merchantmen as well as the incorporation of enemy captures—18,000 tons—is taken into consideration, the decrease in the merchant tonnage of our country has not reached two percent."

### Huge Fr. Warship Launched

PARIS: The 35,000-ton battleship "Jean Barti" was successfully launched when the dock in which she was being constructed was filled with water.

# HONGKONG'S WAR BILL

### Emergency Taxes For Gift To Imperial Govt.

HONGKONG, March 7.

The War Revenue Bill, which is expected to raise ten million dollars annual is certain to pass through the Legislative Council as the unofficial members are unanimously supporting it.

The Bill provides for wartime tax on salaries, property and company profits. The proceeds will be divided between Hongkong's abnormal war expenditure and a gift to the Imperial Government for prosecution of the war. The gift is expected to take the form of locally built ships for the Navy.—Reuter.

## FOR DEFENCE OF FATHERLAND

### Training For Turkish Girls And Women

ANKARA, March 7.

**Forming a trained body of girls and women, able to relieve from other duties men wanted in the firing line in the event of Turkey having to fight in its defence is envisaged in an order issued by the Ministry of Education.**

**All girls schools are in future to devote two hours weekly, instead of one as previously, to military instructions by army officers.**

**Students who fail on examination to prove that they have a satisfactory theoretical and practical knowledge of military affairs as taught during the year will not be eligible for promotion to higher class.—Reuter.**

### "Traitors Of Stuttgart" 'Condemned To Death'

PARIS, March 7.

**Paul Ferdonnet and Charles Obrecht known as "Traitors of Stuttgart" for thier anti-French broadcasts from the Stuttgart Radio Station were condemned to death in their absence by a military court.—Reuter.**

## NAZIS' GRAVE WARNING TO NEUTRALS

### "Insolent" Criticism Of German Navy's Actions Not To Be Tolerated

LONDON, March 6.

**A violent attack on neutral countries in connection with the war at sea was the main feature of a political review of the week in a German broadcast this evening.**

The spokesman declared: "Neutrals will be made to realise that Germany is not willing to put up with insolent criticism of measures taken by our navy. We require these Neutrals to keep in mind that we will not allow anyone to besmirch the honour of our Fuehrer and our forces.

Neutrals should at least make themselves familiar with the plain fact that they have no business between the fronts. It is not in Germany's interest to allow neutral shipping to continue their much too profitable trade with our enemies. We have declared the sea routes to England a war zone and the best advice we can give Neutrals is to keep out of this war zone.

If they disregard the advice they must shoulder the responsibility but not indulge in imprudent criticism of Germany."—Reuter.

## NO RE-CREATION OF CZECH STATE

### Count Czaky Warns Western Powers

BUDAPEST, March 6.

"It is in the interest of Europe that the frame work of the Czech State should never be revived", declared the Foreign Minister Count Czaky speaking in the chamber.

He said: "We and, on our initiative, our powerful friends have made the Western Powers understand that in making promises envisaging re-creation of the Czech State they would be treading on dangerous ground".

LONDON, March 6.

The German wireless announces that Funk, Minister for National Economy, is taken ill.

ROME, March 7.

Thirty people were killed and many injured as a result of an explosion in a powder factory at Brescia to-day.—Reuter.

# Tanker Bombed Off Scotland

LONDON, March 6.

The Swansea tanker "Shelbrittwo" (695 tons) was bombed and machinegunned by two German 'planes off the North east coast of Scotland. One crew was injured.

Wireless listeners heard an S.O.S. from a Norfolk coast light vessel stating that she was being bombed and machinegunned by the enemy 'plane. The message stated that three bombs were dropped but the vessel was not hit and there was no damage.

People on the sea front of a town on the north-east coast of England saw what is believed to be an enemy 'plane attack on ships a few miles out at sea. Loud reports were heard and flashes seen Shortly afterwards British 'plane flew out to sea.—Reuter.

## DETENTION OF ITALIAN COLLIERS

### No Comments In Italian Papers

ROME, March 7.

The detention of Italian colliers is the main item in the newspapers but comment is reserved. Leading articles do not mention the subject and even the huge headlines are confined to statements of fact.

Only the "Popolo D'Italia" talks of "Britain's Irreconcilable Gesture."

Political circles show similar reluctance to make definite comment.

"We regret things have arrived at this crucial point but there is a clear tendency to hope for a friendly solution," Reuter was told.

## "DOMALA'S" ILL-FATED CREW

### Signed On In Indian Ports

CALCUTTA, March 7.

All the Indian seamen of the crew of the "Domala," who are missing as a result of the ship being bombed and machine-gunned by German air craft were signed on in Calcutta.

Of the crews of the German steamers "Flankenfels", "Birkenfels", "Trevenfels" and "Santenfels", who were being repatriated on the "Domala", the majority were signed on in Calcutta, and the remainder in Bombay and other Indian ports.—A. P. Special.

## BRITISH TANKER TORPEDOED?

BERLIN, March 7.

According to an Amsterdam telegram to the Official German News Agency the London Tanker "San Florentino" (12,042 tons) sent out an S.O.S. yesterday stating that she was torpedoed off Lands End.—Reuter.

### Reconnaissance Flights Over North Germany

LONDON, March 7.

The Air Ministry announces that during last night and the night before the R. A. F. carried out extensive reconnaissance flights over important towns in North-west Germany and over the enemy naval base of Wilhemshaven.—Reuter.

## GERMAN RAID REPULSED

PARIS, March 7.

A communique says that during the night an enemy raid was repulsed on the east of Moselle.—Reuter.

### Indian Coffee For Canadian Troops

NEW DELHI, March 7.

Indian coffee producers have decided to make a free gift of at least five tons of Indian coffee to Canadian troops in France.—A. P.

### Australian Defence

SYDNEY, March 7.

The Minister of Defence, Brigadier Street, has announced that Lieut-General Blamey, commanding the existing Australian Imperial Force, will command the enlarged force.—Reuter.

### Ceylon Resignations In Commons

LONDON, March 6.

In the House of Commons replying to Mr. Paling, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald said that he understood the Board of Ministers in Ceylon had resigned in consequence of disagreement with the Governor following the issue of directions by the Minister and the Executive Committee for Home Affairs to the Police Department for postponement of criminal proceedings arising out of a recent riot on an estate in which police had to intervene.—Reuter.

# INDIANS IN NATAL

### Housing And Amenities Issues To Be Discussed At Joint Meeting

DURBAN, March 7.

An inaugural meeting of the Joint Committee of representatives of Durban City Council and the Natal Indian Association constituted at the suggestion of the Minister of Interior takes place on March 14.

The purpose of the meeting is the establishment of more cordial relations between European and Indian communities. Apart from the purchases of property, the Committee will deal with questions of Indian housing and provision of municipal amenities in Indian areas.

Last November the Natal Indian Association adopted a resolution that whilst strongly opposed to segregation or separate residential areas it would do its best to prevent the purchase of property by Indians in predominantly European areas.

HOPE OF SUCCESS

The Minister of Interior, Mr. Lawrence, in a message to the meeting expresses the hope that the deliberations will prove fruitful and helpful. He says that the assurance given by the Natal Indian Association is substantially and effectively similar to that given by the Natal Indian Congress to the Natal Municipal Association and trusts that machinery now set up would enable these assurances to be translated into action when need arises. He has heard with great concern that attempts are being made by outside parties to repudiate the assurances of the Natal Indian Association and could only view such attempts as being in reckless disregard of the true interests and welfare of the Indian community.—Reuter.

## BRITISH FORCES IN NEAR EAST

### Transjordan Troops Will Form Advance Guard

AIMMAN, March 6.

Reuter's special correspondent at Zerka in Palestine says that the Transjordan Frontier Force like the rest of the huge concourse of imperial troops in the Near-East is ready for instant call to arms. Reservists have already been called up and the closest co-operation is being maintained with the French in Syria.

After an extensive tour of the British camps and troop concentrations in Egypt. Plestine and Transjordan, I arrived at the Head Quarters of the Transjordan Frontier Force which in the event of war will probably assume the position of the advance guard of spearhead of the British forces encamped in the Near East.—Reuter.

## "SLAP IN HITLER'S FACE"

### British New Land Regulations In Palestine

AMMAN, March 8

"The new British Land Regulations in Palestine are a slap in the face for Hitler and an answer to Nazi propaganda pretending that Britain had betrayed the Arab cause", declared the Amir of Transjordan in an interview with the Reuter. He added: "We are witnessing a large imperial Army gathering in the near east to defend our countries. We are unhappy to feel that we must rely solely on others to defend us It blood must be shed in the defence of our principles and our country we demand that Arab blood should be mingled with that of our friends. the British".—Reuter.

## CENSURE ON PALESTINE POLICY DEFEATED

LONDON, March 6.

In the House of Commons the opposition motion of censure on Land Regulations in Palestine was defeated by 292 votes against 129.

GOVT. CREDIT TO DEFENCE WORKS.

STOCKHOLM, March 7.

The two Chambers of the Riksdag to-day approved a Government Bill granting credit of half a million sterling for certain defence works notably aerodromes.—Reuter.

### 'SEARCH FINALLY ABANDONED'

KARACHI, March 7.

It is officially stated that the search for the missing plane "Hannibal" has been finally abandoned, as very little hope for finding it is now being entertained.—A. P.

*Launching Of World's Big gest Liner*

# "Ghost Trip" Of 85,000 Ton "Queen Elizabeth" Across Atlantic

## *Joins Sister Ship "Queen Mary" In New York*

LONDON, March 7.

**WORLD'S BIGGEST LINER, THE 85,000 TON "QUEEN ELIZABETH," LEFT THE FITTING-OUT BASIN ON CLYDEBANK ON FEBRUARY 26.**

**IT IS UNDERSTOOD SHE HAS CROSSED THE ATLANTIC AND IS EXPECTED TO DOCK AT NEW YORK TO-NIGHT.**

Ever since she was launched by the Queen in 1938 workmen had been making her ready to take her place with other Cunard Whitestar liners, but no one thought that the maiden voyage would be "a ghost trip."

In New York "Queen Elizabeth" will join her famous sister ship "Queen Mary" which has been there since the outbreak of the war. Side by side will be the famous Atlantic rival, the French liner "Normandie."

In reliable New York maritime quarters it is confirmed that she is docking after a hazardous secret crossing of the North-Atlantic. The same quarters stated that preparations had been made to dock her alongside the "Queen Mary."

Officials of the Cunard Whitestar line told Reuter that they had no information.

It is evident that officials are withholding all information until the liner is safely berthed.

When launched she was described as the noblest vessel ever built in Britain The machinery develops 200,000 horse-power and in Clydebank technical circles, it is predicted she would have a service speed of 31 and a half knots with ability to increase this to 32 and a half whenever necessary.

Amenities and facilities for 2,400 passengers which she can carry include a theatre, three cinemas, an elaborate shopping centre, banks, a tourist bureaux and telephone and telegraphic services.

Originally it was proposed to make the maiden trip on April 24, 1940. Thousands of Clydeside people knew that the liner had left her berth nine days ago, yet the secret was kept.

"A later message says that it is understood that the "Queen Elizabeth" has crossed the Atlantic and will dock at New York soon.—Reuter.

### COALITION GOVT. FOR AUSTRALIA

MELBOURNE, March 7

The Premier has agreed upon the formation of a Coalition Ministry.

He has reached an agreement with Mr. Cameron, Leader of the Country Party, whereby Mr Cameron becomes Deputy Prime Minister and the other members of the Country Party are accepting three portfolios and two Honorary Ministerships.

## "GREAT DIRTY GREY WHALE"

### New York Reception To "Queen Elizabeth" At End Of Maiden Voyage

NEW YORK, March 7.

Completing the most spectacular maiden voyage in maritime history "Queen Elizabeth" reached the quarantine station New York at 15.09 (G.M.T.)

When she was seen approaching the Fire Island, she was unescorted and the decks looked bare and lifeless.

NEW YORK RECEPTION

"Queen Elizabeth" carried no identification marks but after an airliner had circled over her twice, the Red Ensign was broken out from the stern. Business like grey paint and the absence of passengers lining the rails made the giant vessel's arrival a strange contrast to the arrival of the "Queen Mary". Airmen, who sighted her, described her as looking like "a great dirty grey whale" and 500 police and detectives had been drafted to the pier and prepared for her arrival as the crowds of New Yorkers streamed to the waterside to welcome her.

It is authoritatively stated that "Queen Elizabeth" sailed across the Atlantic to make room for other ships in England as every berth is needed for the ceaseless stream of shipping entering British ports.—Reuter.

*Germany Watches*

## ANGLO-ITALIAN COAL DISPUTE

AMSTERDAM, March 7.

Germany is watching the Anglo-Italian coal dispute with intense interest, according to Berlin reports.

Experts have worked out that to deliver the same amount of coal by land, a coal train would have to leave for Italy every ten minutes which is a virtual impossibility. The German press is expressing far greater indignation at Britain's action than the Italian press.—Reuter.

# China In Tentacles Of Japanese Octopus

## *"Central Government" In Process Of Formation: Staggering Terms!*

HONGKONG, March 7.

**According to usually reliable Japanese and Chinese sources arrangements are now completed for the inauguration of a Central Government under General Wang Ching Wei, which is expected to take place at Nanking towards the end of March or the beginning of April.**

**An Agreement, it is reported, has been reached on following points:—**

**Firstly Manchukuo; secondly, North China will be a semi-independent area but currency, customs and foreign affairs will be under the control of the new Government; thirdly, Inner Mongolia will be a special area in which the Japanese will have the right to station 100,000 troops; fourthly, the Japanese will have the right to station troops at important points like Shanghai and Hankow. Japanese forces will withdraw from all the other places as soon as the country is sufficiently pacified.**

The following are the other points of the agreement said to have been reached between General Wang Ching Wei and the Japanese:—

Fifthly, Japan is to take steps towards renouncing extra-territoriality rights after which the question of rendition of foreign settlements and concessions will be considered;

Sixthly, Japan will lend the new Government certain technical assistants;

Seventhly, the existing Japanese-sponsored note issuing banks in north and central China will be allowed to continue their activities but the official currency will eventually be an entirely new one;

INDUSTRIAL CONCESSIONS.

Eighthly, all trade and industrial concessions in which the Japanese now have interest are to be made joint Sino-Japanese concerns with 51 per cent. Chinese participation except for vital industries in North China where Japan's participation will be 55 per cent;

Ninethly, all means of communication will be joint Sino-Japanese enterprises with Chinese participation of 51 per cent. except for the main strategic railways in north China where Japan's participation will be 55 per cent.;

Tenthly, Co-operation with the Chinese to the extent of allowing the Chinese 51 per cent. participation, is to be offered to foreign concerns operating in China and those refusing to participate are to be gradually forced out of China altogether;

CO-OPERATIVE BODY

Eleventhly, a Sino-Japanese co-operative body, including Japanese officers and civilians will be established for making recommendations concerning the lower reaches of the Yangtse Regulations made by this body will be placed before the new government for enforcement

Twelfthly, foreign loans granted prior to date 1938 when general Wang Chiang Wei severed connections with Marshal Chiang Kai Shek, art to be recognised; political loans granted since are not to be recognised.

*Minutes Of Dissent To*

# SELECT COMMITTEE REPORT ON PROFITS TAX BILL

## *Sir Cowasji Pleads For Exemption For Film Industry: Mody On How To Make Tax Fairer In Its Incidence*

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The five minutes of dissent appended to the Select Committee Report on the Excess Profits Tax Bill suggest further improvements which the writers consider necessary to make the Bill acceptable to them.

Sir H. P. Mody concedes that the modifications made by the Select Committee are in some respect substantial and will have the effect of reducing the burden which would otherwise have been imposed. In particular, he says, the choice given to an assessee to adopt at his option an additional standard period, namely 1938/39 combined with 1937/38, will make the tax fairer in its incidence. "The concession did not go as far as I had pressed for—I wanted 1938/39 taken by itself—nor was I able to get the percentage reduced to a figure which would have pressed less heavily upon business interests". He reserves to himself the liberty to raise in the Assembly a number of points such as that it should be made incumbent upon the Central Board of Revenue specially to consider the claims of what he calls nascent industries and grant substantial relief to them.

SIX P. C. AS BASIS?

Sir Ziauddin asks that the standard profits in the case of protected industries such as steel and cotton should be the six per cent. fixed by the Tariff Board, on the basis of which the consumers were taxed, and any profits above six per cent. may be taken as excess profit. In the case of unprotected industries they should be given the option in the selection of standard profit—the average of the last four years or eight per cent., whichever is higher. He calculates the total loss of revenue resulting from the amendments made by the Select Committee as about 2-1/4 crores in a full year and about three-quarters of a crore in 1940/41.

Mr. A. C. Datta while supporting Sir H. P. Mody's observations asks, among other things, that the chargeable accounting period should begin on or after April 1. 1940, the Tax should not be more than 25 percent, the Act should not apply to banks and the income of partnership and joint Hindu family business should not be jointly assessed.

"EXCLUDE CINEMA FILMS"

Sir Cowasji Jehangir urges the inclusion of the year 1938/39 alone or the Calendar year 1938 alone as the standard period and expresses the opinion that the business of manufacturing cinema films should be excluded from the mischief of the bill.

Referring to computation of Capital, he observes that if profits are made subject to the Tax and the basis on which these profits are earned is determined on a footing which excludes a large part of the moneys, constituting such capital employed, businesses would be placed at a serious and unfair disadvantage. The new rule, he says, only gives relief when the loans are from Bona Fide banks or if the money is raised by the issue of debentures. It takes no account of moneys borrowed in any other way.

Considering the conditions that prevail in India, this constitutes a real hardship. He trusts that the Assembly will amend the rule so as to include all borrowings by business and if necessary provide further safeguards.

JOINT MINUTE

Sir Raza Ali and Sir Abdulla Haroon in a joint minute have no fault to find with the flat rate of 50 per cent. but if the question is reopened, they would like a graduated scale varying from 35 to 60 per cent coupled with the raising of the standard profits to 36 thousand rupees. The discussion in the Select Committee, they say, have convinced them that it is of great importance to establish a small committee of the House to advise the Finance Member on important questions relating to expenditure during the continuance of the war. They favour a committee of three non-official members.—A. P.

### *Bombay Merchants' Deputation Returning*

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The deputation of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, consisting of Mr. M. C. Ghia, (Vice-President) Mr. Mangaldas B. Mehta, Mr. A. D Shroff, Mr. Dinshaw D. Shroff and Mr. D. J. Joshi (Secretary to the Deputation) left Delhi for Bombay today after completing their work in connection with Excess Profits Tax Bill. The deputation is expected to return to Delhi when the Bill will be taken into further consideration —A P.

### Manu Subedar On Excess Profits Tax

NEW DELHI. March 7.

Mr. Manu Subedar in a statement to the press says that the Select Committee have toned down several harsh features of the original proposals of the Excess Profits Tax Bill and the measure as a whole shows marked improvement.—A. P.

### *TEXTILE MILLS v. HANDLOOM*

#### *Conference Of Representatives Will Be Called By Govt.*

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The "United Press" learns that the Central Government will call a conference of representatives of the textile mill industry and handloom industry to determine the quota of production of specific weaves of textiles to be reserved for handloom weavers only. In other kinds of textiles, both mills and handlooms will be free to compete.

The conference will explore avenues for voluntary arrangements between the two wings of the industry.—United Press.

### *CONGRESS PARTY AND ASSEMBLY SESSION*

#### *Question Of Attendence To Be Decided By Parliamentary Sub-Committee*

NEW DELHI, March 6.

Whether the Congress party in the Central Assembly should attend the present session or not in the near future will be considered by the Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee at the Ramgarh Congress Session says a report published in "Daily Tej" a local vernacular daily.

The paper adds that it is possibly thought that the Congress party may be allowed to attend the session. This question was reported to have been reviewed at the Congress party meeting today.—A. P.

### "Fix Minimum Prices For Agricultural Produce"

NEW DELHI, March 7.

Prof. N. G. Ranga, M.L.A. (Central), interviewed Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar, Commerce Member, today.

It is understood that he urged the need of fixing minimum prices for agricultural produce, and making arrangements for the supply of dye-stuff to weavers and prevention of profiteering by the dealers in dyes.—United Press.

### SUPPORT TO CONGRESS DEMAND

#### D. R. Gadgil On Need Of Britain Recognising Power Behind People

POONA, March 6.

"Any constitution which does not satisfy the grievances of the minorities, whether real, imaginary or psychological, will only invite perpetual trouble from such minorities," said Mr. D. R. Gadgil, Principal of the Gokhale School of Politics and Economics, delivering last night the first of the "Advance of India lecture series" under the auspices of the New India League.

Mr. Gadgil added the only way to solve the political problems of India was by a constitution based on the principles of Federation and such a constitution would be effective and workable only when the interests of all different units of the Federation were adequately safeguarded.

POWER BEHIND PEOPLE

The lecturer referred to the history of constitutional progress in France, Russia, Germany and the post-war countries like Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia, and said that it was only the political power behind the people that enabled them to frame a constitution. Even in the case of the Dominion of South Africa, said Mr. Gadgil, the political power was virtually vested in the people of the country, although the British Parliament passed the bill sanctioning the constitution.

Mr. Gadgil suggested that India could frame her own constitution, either through a Constituent Assembly or through another consultative body, "but so long as the British Parliament did not recognise the political power of the Indian people, such a constitution could not be brought into effect."

### *DELHI DELEGATES' DISPUTE ENDS*

NEW DELHI, March 7.

A compromise has been reached to-day between the Leftists and the Rightists in the Delhi Provincial Congress Committee over the question of election of delegates to the Ramgarh session. This announcement was contained in a statement issued this evening by the members of the Supervisory Committee appointed by the Congress President to enquire into the election of delegates from this Province.

It is learnt that the conditions laid down in the agreement include the election of three members of the Leftist groups and one from the Rightists to the A.I.C.C. and nine delegates being to the Leftist group and five from the Rightists group for the Ramgarh Congress Session.—A. P.

### Disorder Follows Criticism Of Bose

CALCUTTA, March 6.

Confusion and disorder prevailed at a public meeting held at the Shraddanand Park this evening when Mr. M N. Roy addressed the gathering on the present political situation and the task before the country.

When, in the course of his speech, Mr. Roy referred to the attitude of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose towards the Congress High Command and began to criticise the same, some members of the audience raised a voice of protest while several others raised counter-protests.

Mr. Roy tried to pacify the crowd but his attempt proved abortive. From words, the parties came to blows and the situation gradually developed into jostling and rough-handling. The organisers of the meeting then requisitioned the services of the police, who came and dispersed the crowd.—United Press.

### *SPECIAL TRAIN FOR RAMGARH*

A special train for Ramgarh will be leaving Jalgaon on March 15. For the convenience of passengers from Bombay, a reserved carriage will be attached to the Nagpur Express leaving Victoria Terminus on March 14.

Further particulars can be had from the Congress House, Girgaum.

# Congress-Hindu Sabha Pact Ends

## Calcutta Corporation Election Board Dissolved By Mutual Agreement

CALCUTTA, Mar. 7.

**The Joint Congress-Mahasabha Corporation Election Board which was formed on February 27 has been dissolved following disagreement regarding the nomination of candidates.**

**JOINT STATEMENT.**

**A joint statement to the effect over the signatures of Mr. Rajendra Chandra Deb, Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, Dr. Syamaprasad Mookerjee, Mr. Sanat Kumar Roy Chowdhury and Mr. S. N. Banerjee, members of the board issued this evening says: "We regret very much that we have not been able to agree as regards the nomination of candidates for all the wards. In the circumstances, we feel that the object we had at heart, namely, to present a united front, cannot be achieved. We must therefore, leave it to the different organisations in the city to run the corporation elections in their own way."**

**Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose was also a member of the Board.—A.P.**

### CONGRESSMAN ON STUDY TOUR

#### Thrilling Experiences With Dacoits And Tiger

DHOLPUR, (By Mail).

To have narrowly escaped from the jaws of death on one occasion when he encountered a tiger in the jungles of Missauhri (Bihar) and on another occasion, at the hands of daccits who robbed him of all his belongings, is the thrilling experience of Mr. Sarbeshwar Deka, a Congressman of Assam, who, leaving on foot his native province in April 1939, has arrived in Dholpur to-day 'en route' to Gwalior.

Mr. Deka has covered on foot nearly 2,000 miles and hopes to tour the rest of India on foot, with a view to studying the rural conditions.

Mr. Deka has covered so far the provinces of Bengal and Bihar and U. P. In the latter two provinces, he met prominent Congressmen including Babu Rajendra Prasad, Acharya Kripalani and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, as the autograph in his possession would show. Whilst spending a night in the jungle of Missauhri (Bihar) Deka narrowly escaped being mauled by a tiger by climbing a treetop with great presence of mind. At another place near Gaya he was set upon by a gang of dacoits, who refused to be convinced that he was as poor as the proverbial church mouse and robbed him of his camera and even the spectacles. For the next few days, the tourist fought his way to Patna facing hunger and thirst.

Mr. Deka claims to walk on an average 20 miles per day. Though looking emaciated, Mr. Deka is possessed of unbounded enthusiasm for the study tour of India he has undertaken.—A. P.

### *RAMGARH EXHIBITION*

#### *Programme Of Entertainments*

The Publicity officer, Khadi and Village Industries Exhibition, Ramgarh Congress, writes: Arrangements have been made for the entertainment of the visitors inside the Exhibition area.

The following is the programme:—

March 11, Kabaddi and Wrestling etc.

March 12, Magical feats.

March 13, Music by Kumari Shail Bala and others.

March 14, Music by Arrah Sangit Samaj.

March 15, Caricature.

March 16, Uraon, Kol and Santal dance.

An exhibition of:

War dance, Mock fight. The Community of Asur performing arrow shooting with bow 8 to 9 ft. in height.

March 17, fire walking, entertainment by Exhibition and R. C. workers.

March 18, Kavi Sammelan and Mushaiyara.

Each day the programme will commence at 4 p.m. and terminate at 7 p.m. Again the programme will be resumed from 8 p.m. and terminate at 9 p.m.

### The Half-Column By "Dim"

I think all lovers of sport will take their hats off (Mr. Talyarkhan included) to Jockey Jadhav on his treble yesterday and for his riding on Toltec I shall never forget him.

The Iron lung which is now in Bombay is a present from Lord Nuffield—part of his gift to the hospitals of the Empire. Lord Nuffield has the satisfaction that he has the blessings of many thousands of people who appreciate his princely gifts to charity.

The maiden voyage of the "Queen Elizabeth" almost makes shipping history. Without notice, without passengers off to New York without the knowledge of anyone except Captain and crew.

German wireless message says that Herr Funk, Minister of Economy is taken ill. Not funking it, is he?

Kum-Kum has been a long time coming and now it has actually come.

They tell me the American Women's Club annual affair was tame. Not many a party has run successfully on coca-kola and chocolate eclairs.

Mr. Faletti, a popular figure in the world of restaurants and hotels, has won a car in a sweep. Not so bad, Mr. Faletti.

The millowners are not worried! It is what is known in Brag as an active bluff.

Free flow of Iron Ore to Germany—first the Danube, then the Ore.

### *CONGRESS SOCIALIST PARTY*

#### *Lucknow To Be Venue Of National Executive Meeting*

PATNA, March 7.

The venue of the meeting of the National Executive of the All India Congress Socialist Party has been changed from Patna to Lucknow.

There has been no change in the dates of the meeting which are March 11, 12 and 13.—A. P.

Dr. Amiya Chakravarty has been invited to attend the founder's day celebrations at the Doon School in Dehra Dun on March 10.

Dr. Chakravarty will deliver an address on literature during the celebrations.—A. P.


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**MUTT AND JEFF—It Turned Out Wrong All Around** — By BUD FISHER

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WAIT, I GOT A NEW CARD TRICK I WANNA SHOW YOU! HERE'S THE ACE OF SPADES, THE ACE OF CLUBS, THE ACE OF HEARTS AND THE ACE OF DIAMONDS!
NOW, HOW MANY CARDS HAVE YOU GOT IN YOUR HANDS!
FOUR!
OH, YEAH? WELL, I SAY YOU'VE GOT FIVE CARDS THERE! CAN I KEEP THE TWO BUCKS I OWE YOU IF I'M WRONG?
ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR! SURE! THIS IS A CINCH!
O.K! I'M WRONG!
WHY, YOU LITTLE BOOB, OF COURSE YOU'RE WRONG THERE'S ONLY FOUR--
CAN I KEEP THE TWO BUCKS IF I'M—
LIGHT JUST DAWNING
HEY, JEFF! WAIT A MINUTE!
OH, WELL, WHAT WAS THE SENSE OF RUNNING? HE'D HAVE GOT ME LATER ANYWAY!
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# OUR READERS' VIEWS

## An Extraordinary Yogi

To the Editor of the "Chronicle".

Sir,—Here, right in our midst n Bombay at a suburban residential bungalow at Matunga has been sojourning for some time now a Yogi. He is about fifty-five and looks barely thirty-two. He is a married man and has a wife aged about forty-seven, but looking no more than twenty-two!

Their remarkable prowess in Yoga is a marvel. They attribute their success to strict celibacy.

It is not the "asanas" that so much appeal to one as the Yogi's feats which remind one of the stories in the epics. He is sitting just right in front of you and disappears in less than a moment, although the doors continue to be bolted from inside. At other times, you may keep indoors with all the doors duly bolted from inside, and to your dismay you have the creeping experience of the Yogi's company who appears to have come from nowhere. You hardly realise the truth until he makes himself heard. Certainly, one does not feel altogether comfortable, until the Yogi cuts jokes in his usual humorous vein. It may be of interest to the reader to know that in this and the following paragraphs I am confining myself strictly to my personal experiences with the yogi.

On a particular day within the last month, he was known to have visited three places several miles distant from one another at the same time! A physical impossibility, avers the sceptic scientist. But one would like the scientist to read the thing for himself.

Apart from these marvels, the Yogi is engaging himself in a piece of social work, namely of curing diseases with his yogic power. This art is practised in different ways by different votaries of the Yoga Science but th's particular Yogi practises the almost forgotten "Taraka Yoga"—the art of transmitting power through ropes. One finds it difficult to swallow the incredible story, until one has had a chance of watching the thrilling experiments.

This Yogi is a worshipper of Siva and Rama and is a strict follower of the Sankarcharya school of Hindu philosophy. He is an engaging conversationist.

His Yoga cure is unknown to modern science. Many doctors have marvelled at the method employed by this amazing little man who is no more than five foot three inches. A patient suffers from typhoid of a virulent type. Doctors pronounce the case a very serious one. The Yogi just hands a piece of rope to the patient and goes into "samadhi". And after a few hours, he takes hold of the patient's fingers for five minutes during which all the fever is transferred to him, leaving the patient in normal temperature. Immediately begins the convalescence. He administers no medicine. All you have to do is to hold a piece of rope when he goes into "samadhi" and then eat what you like. I am not repeating a story from Arabian Nights but only referring to the case of a fellow tenant of mine, Mr. Natesan of the Bombay G. P. O. who was under the treatment of Dr. Pai.

Here is an even more interesting case. A child in Matunga suffering from menirgitis was gasping for breath for he was in his last moments according to the best medical opinion available in Bombay. A reputed Bombay physician pronounced the case hopeless, but offered to give two injections, although he could give no guarantee. But the Yogi challenged the physician and sitting in "samadhi" effected a miraculous cure.

And then, there is the case of an officer of a well-known Bombay firm Mr. P. G. Sitaram of Walter Thompson's, who was suffering from a severe type of paralysis for over eighteen months during which he had spent a lot of money on the most approved modern treatment by reputed physicians with no good result. This gentleman approached the Yogi recently and was cured in less than a week.

One can go on quoting from experiences but the above incidents in Bombay are fairly illustrative of the wonderful possibilities of Yoga.

Scientists may profess to have the last word but they would do well to approach the Yogi for practical illustrations of many a point which yet is unrevealed to Modern Science. For instance, on the theory of the Cosmic and Death Rays—a subject on which the Bombay Press was recently interested—the Yogi has some interesting theories based on the Science of Rishaya Sringa and the Vedas.

He holds that diseases are caused by certain evil rays emanating from the stars. His method—it is an old forgotten method in India—is to utilise Yoga to revert to the stars the evil influences. He professes to do this through the rope you handle. No doubt, it looks and sounds incredible, but can the scientist give any reasonable explanation of the actual truth that a non-conductor like rope conducts electricity?

But it is not for these magnificent powers of his that I admire the Yogi. I respect him for his humanity and his sense of humour. His temper is rarely ruffled. He is a true philosopher and humanitarian who reminds one of that wonderful sage—the late Sai Baba. The Yogi hails from Chickbellapura and is known as Chicka Yogi or Chikha Swami.—Yours

Mr. S. M. Sharma.

BOMBAY.

## Penfriendship

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I am desirous of cultivating penfriendship with a student in either sex in the undergraduate section of Bombay 'Varsity, and so request you to be good enough to give publicity to my desire through the medium of your valuable journal. Journalism, History, Foreign periodicals, etc., are the subjects in which I am interested.—Yours, etc.,

P. C. RAGHAVAN.

## B. B. & C. I. Workmen

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Comrade L. K. Oak of the Red Flag Railway Union has surpassed himself in his letter appearing in your issue of the 3rd instant.

To spread the report as he has done re: the extra hours that will be extracted out of the Railway Gangman and fewer blankets that will be issued to them may be in keeping with the tactics of the full blooded Communist. To base his condemnation on a mere report and to rush to the press with allegations which he himself says "are reported to have made" without satisfying himself as to their authenticity is to say the least not fair controversy. What took place at the Meeting between the Agent and the General Manager of the B. B. and C. I. Rly. and this Union was reported in the press and full text of it is available for any one at any district offices of the Railway.

MARCEL J. FERNANDIS,
Secretary, B.B. & C. I. Rly. Employees' Union.

## A. I. R. Mystery

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In the latest issue of "The Indian Listener", an apology has been published for not broadcasting Madame Sophia Wadia's talk on "Truth and Non-Violence will save the World". The apology requires a detailed explanation which can be given by none but the "A. I. R." It is certain that there was no technical fault, but it is the mystery which has caused wide-spread agitation.

Will the "A. I. R." explain the mystery more clearly and in details?—Yours, etc.

S. NAM.

## QUIET EXPECTED IN AHMADZIA SALIENT

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dead by one Gul Nawaz.

It is understood from a reliable source that all men, with the exception of perhaps one, who were arrested by the military near Domel, have been released. Men arrested in Mohdkhel area by the Frontier Constabulary and the military have also been set free.—A. P.

## French Military Attache To Iran Unwell

QUETTA, Mar. 5.

The French Military Attache to the Iraq, Iran and Afghanistan Governments has arrived here from Kabul. As he was unwell, he was carried in an ambulance car from Chaman to Quetta and has been admitted into the British Military Hospital for treatment where he is likely to stay for about a fortnight. It is understood that on his recovery he will proceed to Teheran by car.—A. P.

## Bajansi Burglers Arrested

PESHAWAR, Mar. 7.

In connection with the recent burglary in military barracks it is learnt that three Bajauri tribesmen have been arrested while trying to escape into the tribal area near Shabkadar. Their movements aroused suspicion and the Khassadars took them into custody. It is stated that all stolen property including rifle magazines etc has been recovered.—A. P.

## Wazirs' Appeal For Concessions

BANNU, Mar. 7.

A deputation of Mohdkhel Wazirs, a clan of the Ahmadzai tribe waited upon the Deputy Commissioner to-day and requested him to remove restrictions upon their movements during day time. They wished to be permitted to go towards their graveyard to bury their deads and towards the Kurram river embankment to arrange for the supply of water for agricultural purposes.

The Deputy Commissioner promised to consult with the Military authorities.

It will be recalled that restrictions were imposed on Mohdkhel Wazirs after the encounter of the Frontier Constabulary with a tribal lashkar on February 26 last.—A. P.

## FIND OF IRON IN BELLARY MOUNDS

NEW DELHI, March 7.

Traces of what was perhaps the first large-scale attempt in India, if not in the world, to extract iron are believed to have been left in the so-called cinder mounds in Bellary District, Madras, the most important of which is the large mound at Kudatini.

It is learned here that a cutting lately made in the mound for improving a road has exposed regular layers of charcoal, which, together with heavy stones containing a large proportion of iron found in the vicinity are said to provide unmistakable evidence of a primitive furnace having been worked here on a large scale.

Further research is in progress.—A. P.

## MONTESSORIE VISITS GUJARAT VIDYAPITH

AHMEDABAD, March 7.

Dr. Montessorie, the well-known Italian Educationist, visited this morning the Gujarat Vidyapith. She was very much interested to know about the system of education propounded by Mahatma Gandhi whom she intends to see after the Ramgarh Congress.

Interviewed by a Press representative, she said that she had decided to make Adyar in Madras a permanent centre of Montessori System of Education. She hoped to spend some time in Adyar every year.—A. P.

## Broadcasting Station For Kabul

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The Central Radio Broadcasting Station at Kabul is to be opened in spring, says an announcement in "The Islah" of Kabul. The programme will include talks on scientific subjects, agriculture, subjects of interest to women, education of children, drama and poetry.

A prize of Rs. 500 (Afghani) has been offered for the best suggestion regarding improvement of the programme.—A. P.

## Chief Court For Sind

KARACHI, March 7.

It is understood that the status of the existing judicial commissioner's court in the Sind will be raised to that of Chief Court as from 1st April for which date an elaborate inaugural function, befitting the occasion, is being planned by Mr. R. G. Davies, Judicial Commissioner.—A. P.

## Punjab Governor Gives Assent To Two Acts

LAHORE, Mar. 7.

His Excellency the Governor of the Punjab has given his assent to the Punjab Motor Vehicles Taxation (Amendment) act and the Punjab Excise (Amendment) Act which were recently passed by the Punjab Legislative Assembly.—A. P.

## Broadcasting Station For Mysore

HUBLI, March 7.

It is understood that the Mysore Government will shortly establish a Broadcasting Station at Mysore which will be independent of the All-India Radio. Kannada, it is stated, will have an important place in the station.—A. P.

## GOVERNOR MUST INTERVENE

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ation, which, if allowed to drift, will surely end in disaster.

We hope that millowners will show a little imagination and appreciate the strong feeling behind the strike and come to a settlement before it is too late.

The Council of Management of the 'F' ward District Congress Committee, at its meeting held this morning have passed a resolution supporting the workers' demand.

## 'F' Ward Congress To Strikers' Rescue

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A resolution urging the B.P.C.C. to intervene and bring about an amicable settlement of the dispute was passed to-day by the Council of Management of the "F" Ward District Congress Committee.

The Council sanctioned Rs. 25 for the strike Relief Fund.

The resolution congratulated the workers on their bold stand and condemned the Police Commissioner's order which was characterised as an encroachment on civil liberties.

## Peppermint Workers On Strike

The Secretary, Chemical Workers' Union, writes:—

Workers of Dr. D. Writer and Co., a Peppermint Co., at Bhavanishankar Road have gone on strike from Monday last failing to get an increase in wages. The strike is being conducted by the Chemical Workers' Union, which has sent an ultimatum to the manager, demanding 15 per cent dear food allowance.

## K. E. M. Hospital Employees Support Textile Strike

The Jt. Secretary W. E. M. Hospital Employees Union, writes:—

A meeting of the K.E.M. Hospital and G. S. M. College Employees was held on Wednesday, with Mr. S. S. Mirajkar, in the chair.

The meeting condemned the action of the Dean in discharging a woman worker contrary to the assurance given by him to the Union that there would be no victimisation on complaints made through the Union.

The meeting considered the dear food allowance of Rs. 2 granted by the Municipality to those earning Rs. 50 or less as inadequate and demanded a rise of 25 per cent. The meeting also expressed its solidarity with the textile workers and condemned the Police Commissioner's restrictions on meetings and processions.

## AHMEDABAD FOLLOWS BOMBAY

### Dearness Allowance To Municipal Employees

AHMEDABAD, March 6.

At a total cost of Rs. 10,500 per month the Ahmedabad Municipality has decided to grant with effect from February 1 a dearness allowance to 5,409 employees. Those getting Rs. 30 per month or less will get Rs. 2 more monthly, while an anna more per day will be allowed to others.

The allowance will be given upto December 31, provided the war lasts so far.—A. P.

## U. P. GOVERNOR TO INTERVENE

### Cawnpore Labour Dispute

LUCKNOW, March 7.

The "United Press" understands that Mr. H. S. Pannalal, I.C.S., Adviser to the Governor of the United Provinces, will go to Cawnpore on March 10 in connection with the labour trouble there, and will discuss with both employers and workers regarding the latter's demand.

It will be recalled that the Mazdoor Sabha addressed a letter to the U. P. Government requesting them to intervene in the labour dispute at Cawnpore over the question of dear food allowance, and to appoint a Wage Fixation Board to go into the matter.—United Press.

## 500 BRICK WORKERS ON STRIKE

CAWNPORE, March 6.

About 500 workers in Juhi have gone on strike on the question of dearness allowance. It is stated that for some time past the Brick Worker's Union has been demanding a dearness allowance for Kiln workers but the owners of the Kilns are reported to have ignored the demands. The meeting of workers was held last night and it was decided to suspend work until the demand was accepted.—A. P.

## CIGARETTE FACTORY WORKERS STRIKE

### Bose's Appeal To Govt. To Intervene

SAHARANPUR, March 7.

In the course of statement on the Saharanpur Cigarette Factory strike, Babu Subhas Chandra Bose recalls how the workers have been carrying on their struggle for the last 21 days. For the first 15 days, the struggle took the shape of a stay-in strike.

Mr. Bose learns that similar strikes are going on at three other factories of the company at Calcutta, Monghyr and Bangalore where the workers are making similar demands. He urges the Government to intervene in the dispute and have the grievances of the workers redressed.—

Karachi, March 7.—It is understood that two years extension in service has been granted to Khan Bahadur Ijaz Ali, Minister of Khairpur State who was due to retire shortly.—A. P.

# ADVOCATE MURDERED

### Mokshagundu Krishnamurty, Nephew Of Sir M. Visveswaraya

BANGALORE (By Mail).

On Hindupur Road, 40 miles from Bangalore, on Monday last a disfigured body was found by the police. The identity of the body was traced and it was ascertained that the body was of Mr. Mokshagundu Krishnamurty's prominent advocate and nephew of Sir M. Visveswaraya. When the news reached Bangalore, Mr. M. Ramananda Rao, former justice of the High Court and other relatives of Mr. Krishnamurty visited the place. The body had on it a number of wounds and the hands and feet were tied up. The corpse was also in a decomposing condition.

M. Krishnamurty, it is learnt, was to appear in an important civil case on Monday last. It is surmised that some persons must have enticed him away and murdered him on Saturday last.

His absence was reported to the Bangalore Central Police Station on Saturday night by members of his family. After leaving the court, on Saturday last, M. Krishnamurty attended his office in Cotton Peth for some time and then left for home. It seems he had also drawn Rs. 500 from the Bangalore City Co-operative Bank the same day.

When the body was found, the clothes of M. Krishnamurty was wearing were identified and his spectacles and fountain-pen were also on the deceased.

The local Bar Association passed a condolence resolution and urged Government to investigate into the tragic outrage and find out the culprits.

MADRAS, Mar. 7.—Captain the Hon'ble Sir Arthur Hope, Governor-Designate of Madras will assume charge of his office on the 12th instant.—A. P.


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# Yesterday's Races At Mahaluxmi

## Bromley And Jadhav In Brilliant Form: Kolhapur Stable Scores A Double

(From Our Racing Correspondent)

Mixed luck attended backers in their efforts to find winners at Mahaluxmi yesterday. Very few people shouted such winners as Barnegat (Rs. 201), Toltec (Rs. 316) and Nur Jehan (Rs. 111) home.

Bromley and Jadhav had a most successful afternoon in the saddle. Both has the distinction of steering three winners apiece. The Indian jockey rode brilliantly his handling of Toltec being one of the brightest pieces of horsemanship witnessed during the afternoon's sport.

Pleasing it was to see Aga Cumberally score a double with Thulfa and Dalli al Iraq. The Moghul trainer has been dogged by ill-luck for a considerable period, but it is a long lane that has no turning and he is bound to attract better patronage than has been the case hitherto.

Mr. A. S. Tyebjee's Toltec after several ineffective displays got his head in front in the Queensbury Handicap, but had Let Slip not encountered interference several times during the race he would have most assuredly won instead of going under by a short head. Garden Warbler who had been disappointing so far was a place getter.

NEXUS REPEATS.

A recent good winner Nexus repeated the performance when taking the Bridge Plate. Rook had the son of Winalot in front early and though at one time it looked as though he would make way for Golden Link, the six year old came on again to win easily. Lord Byron, who is very well just now accounted for the beaten others

Backers made the correct picking when selecting Acinom as the best to stand in the Lewes Plate, Division II. Very capably handled by Scanlan the six year old daughter of Silverburn had no difficulty in holding the challenge of Linguaphone who came on well after encountering interference a furlong from home. So That's That showed plenty of initial speed which he should soon turn to account. Veiled Prophet is another who should pay to follow.

FAVOURITE DISAPPOINTS

The market rage in the Lewes Plate, Mona Liza gave a feeble display and was beaten out of the first four. Victory belonged to Barnegat a 20 to 1 chance, ridden by Jadhav. Incidentally the success of the Kolhapur gelding gave C. H. Northmore, the veteran trainer, his first win of the season. Gold Gainer made a gallant attempt to shoulder his big weight and was runner-up with Abundantia also in the money.

Bromley induced Nur Jehan to give of her best in the Mumbra Plate, Division I with the result that she won in easy fashion from Banash Amer and Flourishing Queen who was the medium of the heaviest speculation. It was the winner's twelfth attempt this season but the strenuous time she has had would not seem to have impaired her ability as a galloper.

Mr. Abid H. Doctor's Dalli al Iraq who had won earlier in the season, came up again in the Mumbra Plate, Division II. Bromley rode his characteristic powerful finish on the five year old and beat Zain ul Muluk in an interesting finish. Dahman Fadhil was a minor place getter.

SMART YOUNGSTERS

Run in three divisions the Jhelum Plate attracted good sized fields. Can You disposed of his rivals in Division II in summary fashion and is likely to repeat the performance. Hazim Beg and Aneed were the place getters, but Shanghai the favourite could not manage anything better than a fourth.

Best backed in Division III Jambal extinguished any chance he had of winning by getting left at flag-fall. Thulfa, a recent winner in similar company scored again, getting the better of a sharp tussle, with Spitfire by a short head.

H. H. The Maharaja of Kolhapur's Atilla won Division I like the good thing he was thought to be. Suba al Zaman and Robinhood were in the lesser placings. Both are fairly useful and should do better than this in due course.

THE JHELUM PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 6 furlongs.

H. H. The Maharaja of Kolhapur's ATILLA 8-3, Y. P. Devne ..... 1
Mr. Basheer Mahomed's SUBA AL ZAMAN 8-2, Suleman Ahmad ..... 2
Mr. Syed Fatah's ROBINHOOD 7-11, (car. 7-12) E. Machinkhan ..... 3
Mr. M. N. Billimoria's MY JOY 7-11, Khandu ..... 4

Did not run: Sayid al Iraq.
Won by 2 lengths, 1|2 length, 1 1|4 length.
Time: 1 m 24 secs.
Tote paid Rs. 22 for win, Rs. 13, Rs. 19, Rs. 21 for places.
Winner trained by N. D. Bhosale.

THE JHELUM PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 6 furlongs.

Mr. Zamand's CAN YOU 7-11, (car. 7-3), Jadhav ..... 1
The Thakore Saheb of Dhrol's HAZIM BEG 7-11, Bromley 2
H. H. The Maharaja of Kolhapur's ANEED 7-11, Malavich 3
Mr. Latiff Essa's SHANGHAI 7-11, E. Britt ..... 4

All ran.
Won by 1 1|4 length, 1 1|2 length, neck.
Time: 1 m. 23 secs.
Tote paid Rs. 40 for win, Rs. 22, Rs. 54, Rs. 49 for places.
Winner trained by Aziz Mahomed.

THE JHELUM PLATE (Div. III)—Distance 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Basheer Mahomed and R. S. Dalal's THULFA 8-4 Bromley ..... 1
Mr. Ismail Ibrahim's SPITFIRE 8-4, Marrable ... 2
Mr. Jarulla bin Talib's NASSAR 7-11, (car. 7-13), Evans 3
Messrs. C. N. Permanand and Syed Fatah's LU'AYB 8-12, (car. 8-9) Jadhav .. 4

Did not run: Mulbun.
Won by short-head, 1 1|4 length, 1 1|2 length.
Time: 1 m. 24 secs.
Tote paid Rs. 52 for win, Rs. 24, Rs. 55, Rs. 164 for places.
Winner trained by Aga Cumberally.

THE MUMBRA PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 1 mile.

Mr. Abid H. Doctor's DALLI AL IRAQ 8-2 Bromley .. 1
Hon'ble Mr. Shantidas Askuran's ZAIN UL MULUK 8-8 Marrable ..... 2
H. H. The Maharaja of Kolhapur's DAHMAN FADHIL 8-4 Brace ..... 3
Mr. P. Chetti's GAZAL 8-8 Britt ..... 4

Not run: Mujbil al Arab Saif al Muluk and Sabhan Hamid.
Won by 1 length, shorthead, 2 1|2 lengths.
Time: 1min. 51 1|5secs.
Tote paid Rs. 70 for win, Rs. 27, Rs. 35 and Rs. 31 for places.
Winner trained by Aga Cumberally.

THE LEWES PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 7 furlongs.

H. H. The Maharaja of Kolhapur's BARNEGAT 7-7 Jadhav ..... 1
Mr. P. R. Mehta's GOLD GAINER 9-0 Burn ..... 2
Mr. M. T. Wheeler's ABUNDANTIA 8-4 Bromley .. 3


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# CALCUTTA RACES

## Third Day: Acceptances

CALCUTTA, March 7.

Following are acceptances for Third Day of Calcutta Races, Summer Meeting, to be held on Saturday (March 9):—

CHOWRINGHEE HURDLE PLATE.—Distance about one and a half miles, at 2-30 p.m.

Sun Clad 129, Pride of Birth 11-1, Duty Tax 10-0, Lucian 9-2, Ringsend 9-1, Passing Fair 9-0, Propaganda 9-0, Old Oak 9-0, Sycophant 9-0, King Moab 9-0.

FUND PLATE (Div. II).—Distance about 7 furlongs at 3-00 p.m.

Mira 9-4, Gao 9-2, Sycophant 8-12, Adam's Eve 8-12, Royal Maundy 8-10, Wildvixen 8-5, Sunny Mead 8-3, Tetramarte 8-3, Son of a Witch 8-3, Roya Warrant 8-3, Bright Amber 7-11.

FOURTH CONSOLATION PLATE. Distance about 1-1/4 miles, at 3-30 p.m.

Salamina 9-4, Clamecy 8-13, Sunny Kent 8-12, Bennie Prince Charlie 8-12, Spellbound 8-12, Advantage 8-11, Sana Malt 8-10, King Moab 8-4, Argyll 8-3, Folle Fete 8-2, Galumph II 8-2, Plain George 7-13, Thornbury 7-13, Sally's Shrift 7-11, Just A Lady 7-4, Quinfole 7-4, Old Oak 7-4.

FUND PLATE (Div. I).—Distance about 7 furlongs at 4-00 p.m.

Mount Sorrel 9-4, Lovelock 9-3, Ocean Flight 9-3, Lady Amabel 9-2, Mountain Cry 8-13, Imprint 8-9, Gold Standard II 8-9, Safe Deposit 8-5, Vulgar Fraction 8-4, Marcian 8-3, Sign-Painter 8-2.

BELGURRIAH PLATE (Div. II).—Distance about 7 furlongs, at 5-00 p.m.

King's Lead 9-4, Maharanee 9-4, Mr. Cupid 8-13, Tom Cobley 8-13, Cymbeline 8-13, Castlebarn 8-9, Ramayana II 8-9, Mynette 8-7, Skylight 8-4, Perambulator 8-2, Bridal Arch 7-13, Theodore 7-12, Delwil 7-8.

BELGURRIAH PLATE (Div. II).—Distance about 7 furlongs, at 5-00 p.m.

Grimage 9-4, Dinkum Diamond 9-4, Harlequinade 9-0, Hilt 8-10, Sephoris 8-8, Well Kept 8-7, Golden Wood 8-7, Brent 8-5, Passing Fair 8-2, Chiang 8-2, Nusiter Mus 7-13, Birth Token 7-10, Stormpetal 7-10, Spotless 7-9.

FUND PLATE (Div. III).—Distance about 7 furlongs, at 5-30 p.m.

Merry Conceit 9-7, Anson 8-9, Pat Ogan 8-7, The Heiress 8-6, Vitallis 8-5, Don Craft 8-5, Happy Star 8-3, Gay Songster 8-2, Legumier 7-12, Boralma 7-7, Knight Crusader 7-5, Bristol Bill 7-4.—A. P.

# AGA KHAN TOURNAMENT

The Aga Khan Hockey Tournament opens on February 9. A start will be made with the preliminary round. The following are the games for this week-end:—

SATURDAY

4-15 p.m.—Boys Own Club, Poona vs. G. I. P. Railway (Workshops.)

5-30 p.m.—Bombay Port Trust vs. Poona United.

SUNDAY

4-0 p.m.—St. Mary's Old Boys vs. Ammunition Factory, Kirkee.

5-15 p.m.—Deccan Sports vs. 14th Heavy Battery, R. A.

H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's GOLDEN MANTLE 8-9 Maxwell ..... 4

Not run: Legendary, No Regrets and Honour M.
Won by 1 length, shorthead, 1 1|4 lengths.
Time: 1min. 27 4|5secs.
Tote paid Rs. 201 for win, Rs. 36, Rs. 21 and Rs. 23 for places.
Winner trained by C. H. Northmore.

THE LEWES PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mr. P. D. Bolton's ACINOM 9-0 Scanlan .... 1
Mr. H. Cartwright's LINGUAPHONE 7-9 Evans .... 2
Mr. A. Svamvur's SO THAT'S THAT 8-9 Kassim Hassan 3
Nawabzada Fakhr-ul-Mulk of Bhopal's SCOTCH 8-8 Britt 4

All ran.
Tote paid Rs. 39 for win, Rs. 32, Rs. 22 and Rs. 30 for places.
Winner trained by A Higgins.

THE BRIDGE PLATE—Distance 1 mile 1 furlong.

Mr. E. Esmond's NEXUS 8-11 Rook ..... 1
Mr. M. Ali Asker's GOLDEN LINK 8-9 Meekings .. 2
Mr. A. Svamvur's LORD BYRON 8-11 Evans .... 3
Mr. N. D. Bagree's VEILED PROPHET 9-0 Scanlan 4

Not run: Talk, Mark You and Autoland.
Tote paid Rs. 32 for win, Rs. 17, Rs. 24 and Rs. 54 for places.
Winner trained by F. J. Pratt.

THE QUEENSBURY HANDICAP—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mr. A. S. Tyebjee's TOLTEC 8-0 Jadhav ..... 1
Messrs. B. K. Poddar and M. D. Somany's LET SLIP 9-2 Scanlan ..... 2
Mr. A. Svamvur's GARDEN WARBLER 7-5 Lott .... 3
H. H. The Maharaja of Kashmir's CHEER BOYS 7-11 Britt 4

Not run: Glanley.
Tote paid Rs. 316 for win, Rs. 67, Rs. 19 and Rs. 88 for places.
Winner trained by O Randall.

THE MUMBRA PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 1 mile.

Lt.-Col. Zorawar Singh's NUR JEHAN 7-6 Bromley ..... 1
H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's BANASH AMER 8-2 Maxwell ..... 2
H. H. The Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's FLOURISHING QUEEN 8-7 Britt ..... 3
Mr. P. B. Avasia's FIRPO 8-11 Burn ..... 4

All ran.
Tote paid Rs. 111 for win, Rs. 23, Rs. 23 and Rs. 14 for places.
Winner trained by D. D. Ghista.

# India's Hockey Champions

BOMBAY—INDIA'S HOCKEY CHAMPIONS.

(Standing): Dhadge, Christie, N. Fernandes, W. Fernandes, Ferreira, Tellis and Phillips.
(Front row): Hakim, Brewin, Lynn, Nimal and Latif.

# MADRAS RACES

## 1st Extra Meeting: Handicaps

MADRAS, March 7.

The following are Handicaps for the First Day of the First Extra Meeting to be held on Saturday 9th inst.):—

PATNA PLATE.—Distance about 7 furlongs.

Taqdir 9-4, Gangway 9-3, Meadow Grass 9-1, How's That 8-11, Marilla 8-5, Tatroado 8-3, Catalan 8-2, Call O'the Glen 8-2, Sol D'Amout 8-2, Bonheur 8-0, Kenneth 7-10, Gordon 7-10, Never Smile 7-7.

POONAMALLE PLATE.—Distance about 6 furlongs.

Mad Hatter 9-7, Merrhis 9-1, Menusuffrage 8-13, Silver Armour 8-13, Whyna 8-12, Pursuivant 8-6, Taramati II 8-5, Purple Heron 8-3, Novia 7-12, Desert Dawn 7-1, Satyr 7-10, Wet Night 7-4, Tolvanera 7-4.

PALNI PLATE.—Distance about one mile.

Taj Nuam 9-4, Santa Claus 8-10, Young Kayid 8-10, Irushan Beg 8-8, Adwan Al Muluk 8-8, Magic Moon 8-6, King Farouq 8-5, Looan 8-5, Masud Farhan 8-2, Turkey 8-10, Mahmood Beg 8-0 Tharwath 8-0, Glitter 7-13, Fil Al Iraq 7-13, Desert Prince 7-12, Darbis 7-11.

MARHABHA PLATE (Div. I).—Distance about 6 furlongs.

Massun Pasha 9-4, Arjun 9-2, Night Hawk 8-13, New York 8-12, Sayid Beg 8-1, Double Height 8-11, Muwafak 8-10, Mavrus Al Iraq 8-7, Shara'a Al Jamil 8-7, Wabia 8-6, Momsin Saud 8-5, Zafar Pasha 8-3, Sadoni 7-13, Good Luck 7-11, Saglawi Mahmud 7-7, Mutasmar Beg 7-6.

MARHABHA PLATE (Div. II).—Distance about 6 furlongs.

Mudrik 9-4, Taj Lebanon 9-2, Mulzoom 8-13, Haran 8-11, Hafiz 8-8, British Flag 8-4, Minister 8-3, Gallant Boy 8-2, Flying Fox 8-1, Fraidoon 7-10, Miten 7-8, Marzul Al Muluk 7-6, Muqbil Al Khair 7-5, Honeymoon 7-4, Badia 7-4.

(The above race will be ridden by riding boys).

DALAL PLATE.—Distance about 7 furlongs.

Samah 9-7, Rustom 8-2, Saad Taha 9-2, Moon Bay 9-1, Mahboobat Tariq 8-10, Tair Al Zaman 8-9, Jalmud Al Iraq 8-7, Khalil 8-6, Isuhama 7-4, Forsaken 8-2, Mutlag 8-2, Winning Spark 7-11, Sheweiman 7-8, Fraidoon 7-7, Tiyat Allah 7-4, All Honour 7-4.

NOVICE GRIFFIN PLATE.—Distance about six furlongs.

Enarchus 9-4, William Bell 8-13, Cherry Ripe 8-10, Palock 8-3, Indian Rose 8-3, Mahalakshmi 8-2, Sonsy Lass 7-12, Karl's Cross 7-9, Lynch Law 7-7.—A. P.

# THURSDAY'S RACING AT MADRAS

MADRAS, March 7.

Some good sport was witnessed this afternoon when a card of seven events was decided. Punters had a poor day as not a single favourite obliged.

The following are the results:—

DECCAN PLATE

Night Cap (L. M. Bakshi), 8—6, M. McQuade ..... 1
Full Faith (A. I. C. Rahimtoola), 7—6, J. Rosen ..... 2
Prince Shivaji (Major D. D. Nimbalkar), 9—3, Hardinge ..... 3
Baltoi (Mrs. L. Whitehouse), 8—6, Clarke ..... 4

All ran:
Won by a head, 3/4 length and two lengths.
Time: 1 min. 31 secs.
Tote paid: Rs. 70 for win, Rs. 28, and Rs. 52 for places.
Betting: 5/4 Anand; 5/2 Prince Shivaji; Night Cap and Baltoi; 5/1 Wunderbar, 6/1 Full Faith.

FIRDOUSE PLATE

Lucky Lad (C. K. Samarapuri Chetty) 9-1 Graham ..... 1
Kanzallah (Sadoonbeg Shawi) 9-3 McQuade ..... 2
Bonjour (J. D. Bantwala) 9-4 Bowley ..... 3
Haria (M. Subiah) 8-7 Roberts ... 4

Not run Dhiyab:
Won by one and half lengths, two lengths, two lengths.
Time: 1 min. 22 secs.
Tote Paid: Rs. 70 for win, Rs. 24, Rs. 18 and Rs. 56 for places.
Favourite: Kanzallah.
Betting: 5/4 Kanzallah, 4/1 Tarickbeg, 5/1 Fullmoon, Shahjamal and Infnaji, 6/1 Bonjour, Gold, Lucky Lad, Haria Musaid Al Khair, Salimal Iraq, longer odds the rest.

RAO PLATE

Jocund (M. D. Petit) 7-8 Billet .. 1
Gangway (Mrs. F. S. France and J. D. Aitken) 9-3 J. O'Neil ... .. 2
Taqdir (Major-General Nawab Kushru Jung and V. Rosenthal) 9-4 Mars ..... 3
Remember (Major R. Tyrell and T. Hill) 8-11 M. O'Neil ..... 4

All ran:
Won by three-quarter length, short head, two lengths.
Time: 1 min. 14-1/5 secs.
Tote Paid: Rs. 94 for win, Rs. 28 and Rs. 18 for places.
Favourite: Taqdir.
Betting: 5/4 on Taqdir, 3/1 Gangway, 7/2 How's That, 5/1 Remember, 7/1 Jocund.

COCHIN CUP

Green Pigeon (Moosa M. Hoosein) 8-1 Clarke ..... 1
Challenger (J. Hormusji) 9-4 Roberts ..... 2
Sallal Pasha (Mohsin Hassan) 8-12 Marrs ..... 3
Arab King (Ali Khan) 8-7 Khalil ..... 4

All ran:
Won by two and half lengths, three-quarter length, two lengths.
Time: 2 mins. 54 secs.
Tote Paid: Rs. 56 for win, Rs. 18, Rs. 20 and Rs. 14 for places.
Favourite: Saadwasmi.
Betting: 7/2 Saadwasmi, 4-1 Challenger, Moonshine and Green Pigeon, 5/1 Alassi and Good Night, 6/1 others.

NILGIRIS PLATE

Mr. Sweep (Brigadier R. C. R. Hill) 8-5 M. O'Neil ..... 1
Valley Mount (J. McQuade) 7-4 Billet ..... 2
Angelo (Capt. M. R. D'Arcy) 8-13 Marrs ..... 3
Merrhis (G. N G. Walles) 9-3 Graham ..... 4

Not run: Smoky, Natbay and Selwood.
Won by head, short head, short head.
Time: 1 min. 42-2/5 secs.
Tote Paid: Rs. 64 for win, Rs. 20, Rs. 46 and Rs. 14 for places.
Favourite: Angelo.
Betting: 3/2 Angelo, 5/1 Merrhis, Soltero Tiddley Bits and Mr. Sweep 6/1 others.

TUTICORIN PLATE

Pome (S. C. Woodward) 8-2 Roberts ..... 1
Satyr (Maharajah of Kolhapur) 8-4 Hardinge ..... 2
Wonga Dell (Mrs. M. R. D'Arcy) 7-13 McQuade ..... 3
Lisvara (Major Tyrell) 8-5 Fitzgerald ..... 4

Not run: Whynot.
Won by three-quarter length, one length, one and half lengths.
Time: 1 min. 15-3-/5 secs.
Tote Paid: Rs. 62 for win, Rs. 24, Rs. 22 and Rs. 16 for places.
Favourite: Wonga Dell.
Betting: 3/1 Wonga Dell, 4/1 Purple Heron, Satyr, Pome, 5/1 Natbay, Pursuivant, Novaia, Lisvara, Highfield Lass.—A. P.

# INTER-RAILWAY HOCKEY

## B. B. & C. I. Win First Encounter

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The Annual Inter-Railway Hockey Tournament opened this evening in which the B. B. and C. I. Railway defeated the Railway Board by 3 goals to nil. All the three points came in the second half.

In the first half a chance of scoring came to the B. B. and C. I. but Lodricks the left inner, hit a weak shot which the Railway Board goalkeeper had no difficulty in clearing. The B. B. and C. I. thereafter initiated some good movements but failed to score.

Five minutes after the interval the B. B. and C. I. opened their account through Almeida, the left inner, who scored from a melee. The Railway Board tried hard for an equaliser, but towards the close of the play conceded two more goals. Lodricks scored the second goal off a pass from Deane, the centre forward, who hit in the third goal.

TEAMS

B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY:—Leach, Bartlett, Alexander, Boezalt, Page, Nelson, Woodcock, Almeida, Deane, Lodricks, Hogan.

RAILWAY BOARD:—Mola Singh, Shariffuddin, B. K. Lall, Chandra Bhan, B. Pershad, M. Hussain, R. Kishen, Manzoor Hussain, S. K. Chail, Hari Chand and G. C. Kapoor.—A. P.

# KHAR TENNIS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Miss Walavalkar Rathan mixed doubles tournament commenced on the 5th and four matches were decided. Karsondas Tulsidas and Mrs. Mathre, defeated R. P. Shah and Mrs. Jayakar, 6—4, 3—6, 4—6; Merchant and Mrs. M R. Merchant defeated Dipchand Shah and Miss Dhairyavan 6—2, 8—6; H. B. Desai and Mrs. Fazalbhoy defeated Ramesh Rao and Mrs. Dinkarrau 6—2, 6—3; Anandji Kanji and Mrs. Bannerji defeated Karsondas Tulsidas and Mrs. Mathre 6—2, 6—8, 6—1.

AMRITSAR, March 5.

The Working Committee of the Hindustan Scout Association, Punjab at an extraordinary meeting held in Amritsar passed a resolution viewing with concern the recent notification of the Punjab Government banning certain organisations.—A. P.

# BOMBAY—INDIA'S HOCKEY CHAMPIONS

## WINNERS PLAY DISAPPOINTING GAME: DELHI MORE IMPRESSIVE: INTER-PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP CONCLUDED

**Bombay (Latif 2) ..... 2: Delhi ..... ..... 0**

Where is Bombay's sparkle? Will Bombay lose to Delhi? These questions were asked on all sides as the final of the All-India Inter-Provincial Hockey Championship progressed. Often came the shouts from the stands —"Bombay wake up"!

Bombay eventually won by two goals, but it was not the team that beat Bengal. It was the same side in name, but the hockey that sent fans raving with enthusiasm on Monday last was missing.

Two men alone played well for Bombay. This was J. Phillips, the right back. He incidentally had to shoulder most of the work behind, as O. Ferreira, his colleague on the left, was a failure. Lynn in goal also needs special mention, though not overworked. Lynn brought off three brilliant saves. Had he failed, we might have seen a replay.

Hakim and Latif of Bombay's forward line were not exactly wanting occasional spectacular stuff came from them, but it seemed on Thursday, Mushtaq and Gurnarain Singh were their superiors and took more away from them, than even the crack full backs of Central India and Bengal could

A GAME SIDE

This brings us to Delhi, a team that played better than ever.

Mushtaq, Delhi's right back, was the hero of his side.

This man was a great spoiler, plus this, his Clearances were powerful and well-directed. Time and again the crowd rose to see Bombay score, little Mushtaq got the applause instead, for clever interception. He was continually working and put in sixty minute of fine hockey.

Mushtaq had a worthy partner in Gurnarain Singh. This Sikh did all that was asked of him.

In the centre-line Winfred shone. He played his part as a defender and was brainy in feeding his forward line.

Taqi, the out side right, was the pick of the Delhi front quintette. If some of the beautiful passes of Taqi had been put to proper advantage, anything might have happened—Sri Kishen, the centre-forward, though quite good in other ways, is definitely slow for the position he plays. Sultan, the right-wing, appears to have lost some of his former greatness. Mascarenhas proved himself to be a goalkeeper of merit. Some smart and clever goalkeeping came from him. The two goals Latif scored, gave him no chance.

A couple of infringements took Delhi over, Phillips sent them back. Winifred and Mushtaq held up two raids by Bombay. Delhi attacked again and Bombay's supporters had anxious moments. Each goal was visited in turn thereafter one particularly good movement in which Hakim, Latif and Tellis were concerned was spoilt by Mushtaq. At the other goal Ferreira first and then Phillips next saved Bombay from falling behind in the score.

The first penalty corner of the game came to Bombay in the thirteenth minute. Latif scooped it over the bar. Mascarenhas, in Delhi's goal a little later rushed out correctly to rob the ball from Latif who had bettered the opposing backs.

Delhi was seen twice in Bombay's area, but Phillips barred the way. Delhi, however, might have forged ahead ten minutes before half-time, if, when Taqi, nicely placed, got possession, after Ferreira and Fernandes had blundered, did not send the ball over the cross bar. In the next minute Dhadge failed Bombay, getting the ball in the circle with a clear passage to goal, he mishit at the crucial moment.

In the twenty-seventh minute Bombay's forwards satisfied a horde of supporters. A clever bit of dribbling cum short passing by Hakim and Latif got the ball to Latif, as he ran into the striking circle. Latif had little difficulty in beating Mascerenhas in goal. With this advantage Bombay crossed over.

DELHI FIGHT BACK

Delhi were first in the picture after half time and Bombay were hard pressed to keep the equaliser out. In the sixth minute Bombay visited Delhi's territory. Here Mushtaq came to his sides rescue. Sri Kishen looked all over a scorer for Delhi, when Phillips in his usual cool way drew the ball away from the raider. He cleared and allowed Bombay to put in a spell, of attacking. From a corner hit Tellis had an opportunity to improve Bombay's position, he scooped over the goal. Mascerenhas in the next minute saved a hot shot from Dhadge, and then came a further blunder from Tellis and Bombay remained with their solitary point. Number two goal, however, came in the eighteenth minute of the half. Latif, showing good anticipation, met a forward pass from Hakim and Mascerenhas could not check him.

Delhi were not deterred and fought back. A penalty corner and another did not reduce the lead against them. Though, Bombay have to thank Lynn for keeping Delhi score at nil. He brought of two really smart saves. Delhi kept at it, but failed in their sporting endeavour.

Bombay thus won the All-India hockey title.

THE TEAMS

BOMBAY:—Lynn; Phillips and Ferreira; Christie, Brewin and Fernandes; Dhadge, Hakim, Latif, G. Nimal and Tellis.

DELHI:—Mascerenhas; Mushtaq and Gurnarain Singh; Puri, Winfred and Pindi Das, Taqi, Sultan, Sri Kishen, Hari and Atmaram.

Umpires: J. Pinto and T. MacKenzie.

# Strike In Dalmianagar

PATNA, March 7.

The workers of several factories at Dalmianagar are reported to have gone on strike as a protest against the discharge of a number of men.

The police are stated to be guarding the mill area.

A strike is also reported from Siwan District in North Bihar where the employees of a sugar mill at Pachrukhi have ceased work following an ultimatum said to have been given to the management regarding their demands.—A. P.

## Two Favourites Materialize

LAHORE, March 7.

Only two favourites materialized on the first day of the Ninth Gymkhana meeting, for which a card of five events was provided. The weather was warm and the attendance fairly good owing to holiday.

In the Khanewal Plate, run over about four furlongs, Mr. Cordy Simpson's "Rarette", which was a favourite fulfilled the hope reposed in it, but "Pushpa" and "Pukkar" in Raewind Second and First Divisions respectively upset all calculations. "Lall", another less fancied horse in Chiniot Plate, paid the highest tote of Rs. 33. Jan Mohammad rode two winners.—A. P.

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*Uday Shankar Explains*

# Mission Of Centre Dance School

## *We Shall Not Neglect Culture And Tradition, We Shall Learn How To Create And Invoke The Power And Beauty Within*

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALMORA, (By Mail).

The formal inauguration of the Dance School of the Uday Shankar India Culture Centre took place on Sunday the 3rd. inst. The elite of the town was present. The function took place in the morning in the main Centre Studio which was well decorated.

AIMS OF CENTRE.

Uday Shankar welcomed the guests and then gave a short talk on the purpose and work of the Centre. "We have a few students" he continued, "and we have chosen them out of hundreds of applicants. We believe in starting in a small and correct way. The reason why we have so few students is because they all ask for free-scholarships, and the Centre is not rich enough, with its limited financial resources, to accept them all. But with your co-operation, we will be able to help them in future. Many ask me what they will do after the training. It is a very difficult question to answer, but permit to ask you what thousands of unemployed graduates are doing today? We are living in very troublous times, and the whole world to-day is passing through a critical stage of existence. They are all seeking and searching for an outlet, an escape to a better living, to a nobler and more harmonious existence. Our purpose too is to seek this unknown and that is why we are here in Almora.

IN HIMALAYAN SNOWS.

"We are few of the students," he said going and standing among the students, "who have just arrived. We got down at Kathgodam, it was cold and windy, but we were excited after the train travel. The foothills were nothing extraordinary, but we got on the bus and started. We were going to a new place of which we had heard so much and where we expect to quench our artistic thirst. The bus rolled on, twisted and turned leading us through roads winding up and down. Some noticed the surroundings while others were drowned in their own thoughts, or thinking of people at home. After four or five hours we wondered if we would ever arrive. At last after six or seven hours we came to the Centre, cold, giddy and completely fed up. Now we have come, come to study and learn—but what? Of course it must be dance, music and other aspects of art, but it is strange that we should come so far away to the Himalayas to start study. Well I can feel all that as a student, and I must tell you why we are so far away from big cities and here in the cold in sight of the perpetual Himalayan snows.

Ask yourself if Nature has to give us anything. As students we have to remember what a great deal we can get from our surroundings, to study within and without ourselves and to assimilate all that nature can teach us. How can one have the greatness that big artists and poets have? What is there that gives us the power to give you a few moments pleasure and happiness with dances, to cast a short spell on you with music, to reveal to you the soul and spirit of palpable life through painting and sculpture? This is a huge thing and good for everyone to acquire. And when we talk of artists we do not mean cheaters who can startle you with stunts and showmanship. We mean this inner greatness. We shall not neglect culture and tradition, and we shall learn how to create, we shall learn how to invoke the power within and beauty within."

COLLEAGUES ALL.

Moving towards the Staff Members he pointed out how this group had worked with him for several years. "Here Simkie, for instance, has been with me for fifteen years. She is French and yet she had dedicated her life to Indian Dancing. Shiraliji, our Musical Director, has been ten years with us and all the others similarly have gone through hardship and labour together with me. This staff is like a perfect machinery which has to run smoothly if an institution, an organisation or even a government wants to live and make progress. A great responsibility rests with us as Staff Members, and we must always be true to our ideals and principles so that the Centre can achieve all that it has started to accomplish."

"And as for myself," he continued, moving to the middle of the space and standing alone, "though I feel shy to speak of myself, I am not modest at heart. I wish to tell you that as a founder, a Director, one of the Trustees, a teacher and also a pupil of the Centre, you must feel that there is something in this place which attracted me. We are here to work on a serious plan and I humbly request you to feel this place your own and to treat it as such. Apart from when we are creating new things, you are always welcome to watch the classes and even join in. Do not think of your age, be with us and feel with us."

Uday Shankar then garlanded Mr. Kandappa Pillai, the greatest of the Bharatnatyam teachers at present who had joined the Centre. He also expressed sorrow for Guru Shankaran Namboodry, whom he regarded as the symbol of the Centre, for being absent and arriving only on the 5th.

INDIA'S DANCE TRADITION.

After this, followed a talk by Mrs. Gertrude Sen who expressed what high ideals Indian dancing presented in which Lord Shiva himself through his dance symbolised the cosmic evolution and destruction. There was a great tradition to live for and high ideals for the intellect to follow. "We are proud to have the Centre in Almora and sure to learn a great deal from you. We will see what India has given in the past and what India will continue to give for the future."

Mr. Dar, the Magistrate of Almora then in a short speech expressed the gratitude which all inhabitants of Almora should feel, for the existence of the Centre here has not only put the name of Almora on the map of India but on the map of the world.

MESSAGES GALORE.

Then the messages of good wishes and blessings from India and abroad were read. The following are the few out of the many:

Pandit Jawaharlal: "My good wishes on occasion opening Centre dance schools."

Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant: "Best wishes may Centre ever more resuscitate enrich Indian culture."

Maharaja Jhalawar: "Wish all success and may your Centre prove beneficial to India."

Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit: "Best wishes for success of Dance School."

Nandial Bose: "Pray your School would express soul of Nataraj."

Chekhov Theatre Studio (America): "All members of Chekhov Studio send greetings and joy on this great day."

Misha and Xenia Chekhov (America): "I wish all your efforts in striving for truth will bring success to you and your surrounding love."

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Elmhirst of Dartington Hall, England: "Your Centre radiates hope and courage to us all may your art continue to bring light to this darkened world we send our love, gratitude and continued blessings.

Beatrice Straight (America): "All joy and blessings come to you and your Centre for now and ever and faith with you always whatever come".

Rabindra Nath Tagore: "Best wishes".

Maharaja Nepal: "Best wishes for god speed to Centre Dance School and hearty congratulations on success of your efforts towards revival of Indian culture."

Alice Boner: "Wishing new Dance School every success embodying and fulfilling through spirit of Bharata Natya blessings and greetings."

Ramanand Chatterji: Wish high ideals success.

Vijayadevji Maharana of Dharampur: Every Indian from peasant to prince proud of you who earned world fame for Indian Nrityakala. May your School be centre to spread love and knowledge of Indian dance far and wide is the sincerest wish of its admirer.

Sir Chinubhai Madhola, one of the Centre's Trustees: Wish your school great success may it prosper and spread your teaching and message of dance throughout India is my prayer my whole family joins.

After this followed a short programme of dances


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# CONTEST FOR MAYORSHIP

## Mathuradas Tricumji And M. N. Talpade As Rivals

The election of Bombay's new Mayor will shortly take place. The Congress Municipal Party which commands nearly half the votes in the Corporation has adopted Mr. Mathuradas Tricumji as candidate for the post.

The non-Congress groups have combined, it appears, to oppose Mr. Mathuradas. Mr. Y. G. Pandit having declined to be their candidate, they are most likely to nominate Mr. M. N. Talpade.

The turns this year is that of a Hindu to be elected Mayor, according to convention.

NEW OFFICE-BEARERS.

Owing to the prospect of Mr. Mathooradas Tricamji's election as Mayor, Corporation Congress Party has elected Mr. Nagindas T. Master as its leader for the coming year. Mr. Master is the Vice-President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee and a member of the Provincial Legislative Assembly.

The two new deputy leaders, Mr. S. L. Silam and Mr. Soonderdas Morarji, are also on the B. P. C. C. Mr. Silam has been a member of the Corporation for 11 years and is Chairman of the Works Committee of the Corporation. Mr. Sunderdas Morarji was Chairman of the Works Committee for a year and is at present Chairman of the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee.

The Secretaries are Mr. R. B. Raut and Mr. Ganpat Shankar Desai, Mr. P. K. Savant will be the Chief Whip, Mr. R K. Achrekar, Deputy Whip, and Mr. Vasantram Jamietram as Treasurer.

While the office-bearers were all elected unanimously, there was a contest for the Committee. The following nine members were elected: Mr Gordhandas D. Morarjee, Mr. S. K. Patil, Mr. G. R. Gharpure, Mr. M. V. Godbole, Dr. V. B. Gandhi, Mr. Bhavanjee A. Khimjee, Mr. M. G. Kapadia, Mrs. Jaishri Raiji, and Mr. Y. J. Meherally.

# JAIPRAKASH APPEALS FOR UNITY IN CONGRESS

## *Need For Combating Left Wing Infantilism*

PATNA, March 7.

An appeal to the Left Wing to close up their ranks and maintain unity in the Indian National Congress is made by Mr. Jaiprakash Narain in the course of a statement.

He states: "It is a matter of deep regret to me that in this hour of crisis when National and Congress unity is so essential, there are so many disruptive tendencies at work. The task of maintaining unity in the Congress rests on the shoulders of the Leftists much more than those of the others. Unfortunately Left Wing infantilism is dragging the Congress to ruin. It is the duty of Congress Socialists, above everything else, to fight this disruption unmindful of the calumny that a section of the Left may heap upon them. Since its birth, the Congress Socialist Party has stood for balanced and sane policies. The necessity of adhering to the principles of united fronts and composite leadership is greater to-day than ever before. Let these principles guide our actions."

Mr. Jaiprakash Narain adds: "Acharya Narendra Deva and I have already commented upon the draft Congress resolution. Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Rajendra Prasad's later statements have only confirmed our interpretation of the resolution. Let petty bickerings cease and let us close up the ranks. The Congress is in dead earnest about civil disobedience. This will be the country's final struggle for freedom. I hope that every Congressman will rise to the occasion and will not rest till freedom is achieved."—A. P.

## *'Kisan Rally And Anti-Compromise Conference Are Different Things'*

PATNA, March 7.

Mr. Jaiprakash Narain, in a statement, explains that the anti-Compromise Conference and the Kisan Rally to be held at Ramgarh on the occasion of the forthcoming Congress session are "two separate things". He adds, "The Kisan rally is being organised by the Bihar Provincial Kisan Sabha with the full concurrence and cooperation of the Congress Socialist Party. Kisan rallies have been held regularly during the Congress session for the last few years."—A. P.

## *Anti-Compromise Conference*

PATNA, March 7.

The election of the President for the anti-Compromise Conference at Ramgarh and of office-bearers of the Reception Committee, among other things, will be considered at a special meeting of the Reception Committee of the Conference to be held at Ramgarh on March 12 states the General Secretary of the Reception Committee of the anti-Compromise Conference.

Mr. Subhas Bose, it is understood, will visit Ramgarh after completing his tour of the U. P. and tour in the District of Gaya thereafter.—A. P.

## *CASE AGAINST PARULEKAR POSTPONED*

DHARWAR, March 6.

The case against Mr. S. V. Parulekar, a labour leader of Bombay, who was recently arrested on a warrant issued by the Dharwar District Magistrate on a charge of sedition, was taken up today by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate and was adjourned till March 18 on an application on behalf of Mr. Parulekar.—A. P.

## Labour Leader Arrested For 'Seditious Speech'

CAWNPORE, March 6.

Another labour leader, Mr. Ewaz Ali, who is a prominent member of the General Council of the Mazdoor Sabha, has been arrested under Sec. 124-A for delivering alleged seditious speeches. He was later released on bail on furnishing two sureties of Rs. 1,500 each.—A. P.

## New Bengal Congress Committee

CALCUTTA, March 7.

A new Congress Committee in Bengal will be formed by the Bengal delegates to the Ramgarh Congress on March 14. According to a notice issued by the Secretary of the Bengal Congress Election Committee, appointed by the Working Committee.

The election of delegates from Bengal and Surma Valley, it will be remembered, could not be held within the scheduled time, namely

# FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF INDIA

## Board Of Experts To Be Set Up With Commerce Member As Head

NEW DELHI, March 7.

A drive for industrial development in India is believed to be the purpose of the plan which the Finance Member stated in the Council of State yesterday is soon to be announced.

The Associated Press learns that the directing centre of the plan will be the Board of Scientific and Industrial Research for India, which Government have decided to set up with Sir Rama-Swami Mudaliar as chairman. Eminent scientists and industrialists have been invited to formulate proposals to help the board to decide on what lines progress could most speedily and effectively be achieved. A number of these scientists and industrialists will be actively associated with the Board as members in carrying the plans forward.

The Board's scope and functions generally are likely to be modelled on those of the Board which was set up in the United Kingdom during the last war and which is still in being.—A. P.

## CENTRAL ASSEMBLY PROGRAMME

NEW DELHI, March 7.

It is learned that the Muslim League Party in the Central Assembly will raise a debate on Indianisation of the Indian Army to-morrow morning. Two other motions tabled by them for discussion to-morrow relate to the establishment of a Defence Council for India and Frontier policy.

It is now regarded as certain that the Congress Nationalist Party will raise a debate on the supply department on Monday next.—A. P.

## Congress Members' Attitude

NEW DELHI, March 7.

The "United Press" learns that the Congress Assembly Party has assured its leader, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, to convey, whenever he considers desirable, the general view of the Party to the Congress Working Committee that they should be allowed to attend the Assembly session with a view to expounding the Congress view point and utilising the platform in the country's interests.

No resolution has, however, been recorded although every member of the Party has freely expressed his views on the political situation in the country.—United Press.

## *GANDHIJI AND BOMBAY STRIKE*

Mr. K. F. Nariman, M.L.A., Bombay, writes:—

Only few days ago Gandhiji and his lieutenant 'Sirdar' made vigorous efforts on behalf of Ahmedabad textile labour, during recent crisis. Gandhiji wrote a slashing article in 'Harijan' upholding the workers' cause and advising owners to settle. 'Sirdar' made a special trip to Ahmedabad and offered his services to Mazdoor Mahajan. It is rather strange that though in Bombay much large number of workers are involved in a grave struggle and though the issues are same, still so far there is not a word from Gandhiji or Sirdar, similarly upholding the cause of Bombay textile labour. Is it because Bombay labour is controlled by "Lal Bavta" which is like "Red Rag" to Gandhites? We should have thought that the cult of 'Ahimsa' and 'Truth' knows no geographical limits and recognises no party labels, when a question of relief to poor suffering humanity is concerned; hence why this transparent discrimination?

'Harijan' deals with sundry topics both trivial and important, has it no space or is there no time for this vital issue involving life and death to thousands of poor textile workers of Bombay?

## Conservative Wins By-Election

LONDON, March 7.

The Kettering by-election caused by the appointment of the Conservative member Mr. Eastwood as Metropolitan Magistrate has resulted in Mr. J. Profumo, Conservative securing 17,914 votes and Mr. W. Ross "Workers and Pensioners Anti-war candidate" 6,616. Official Liberal and Labour parties observed electoral truce and did not contest the seat.—Reuter.

February 15, and as a consequence thereof Bengal and Surma Valley could not participate in the Presidential Election.

The Working Committee, has however, granted an extension of the date of elections of delegates to the Congress Session.—A. P.

# *BRITISH BOMBERS WILL HIT HARD*

(Continued From Page 1.)

planned on a scale, which should enable us to attain our objective with something in hand. Plans for production in the Dominions were beginning to bear fruit and the first aircraft made in Canada had already been flown. Large additional orders had been placed in America and Canada.

CIVIL AVIATION

Referring to Civil Aviation, the Air Minister declared that in conjunction with Australia and New Zealand it had been decided to link up New Zealand with the Empire air routes and to start a weekly service across the Tasman Sea in April. He hoped difficulties preventing a regular service to Lisbon would shortly be overcome. To safeguard the position of Civil Aviation after the war, a strong Civil Aviation Advisory Committee was to be set up.

ABLE TO HIT HARD

Giving an outline of the greatly increased R. A. F. output, the Air Minister said it could safely be said that the fighting strength of the R. A. F. had increased at least by 100 per cent during the last twelve months. In addition Britain had been able to give substantial help to friends overseas. He confidently believed that even on numerical basis the output of aircraft accruing to Britain and France was to-day in excess of that of Germany.

Sir Kingsley concluded: "We can be sure that the powerful and efficient air defence organisation, which we have built up, will take a heavy toll of the enemy and that our bomber force will be both ready and able to hit hard, hit often and to keep on hitting." (cheers).

Opposition Labourite Dr. Dalton, asked for a definite assurance that all plans were completely prepared for our bombers to take immediate action against military targets in Germany in the event of any attempt being made to bomb London or any other objective in this country (Cheers).

WANTED BETTER BOMBER

Mr. Dalton declared that a number of people connected with production of aircraft were not altogether satisfied that even yet we were getting the maximum rate of output. He said there was some evidence that rather too many types of planes were under consideration. He questioned whether we had in use a fighter type equal to the Messerschmidt 100 and said it was argued by persons of technical competence that we should now be producing two-seater long-range fighter, armed with cannon, capable of a speed of at least 350 miles an hour.

Sir Roger Keyes suggested that in order to secure more effective co-operation with the Navy in the protection of shipping in the North Sea the Coastal Air Force should be placed under the complete control of the Admiralty and additional bomber and fighter squadrons trained without delay.

## *Chester By-Election Result*

LONDON, March 7.

In the Chester by-election, Mr. Basil Nield was returned unopposed in succession to the late Sir Charles Cayzer.—Reuter.

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BOMBAY TEXTILE STALEMATE

# Appeal To Governor To Intervene

## Millowners "Not Worried": Railwaymen Back Strikers

### Direct Action Inevitable

*CONGRESS NOT PREPARED TO INTERVENE UNLESS PARTIES EXPRESS DESIRE FOR MEDIATION*

BOMBAY, Thursday.

**Unless there is an early termination of the textile strike in Bombay, there is every danger of the strike fever spreading to the rest of the industries involving not less than four lakhs of the industrial population of the city.**

**Workers' representatives in several of the industries, it is understood, are seeking the co-operation of the city's labour leaders with a view to mobilise the entire labour population.**

**The initiative taken by the Railway workers in supporting their colleagues in the textile industry as also in holding out a threat of "direct action" in case their own demands for wage increase are unfulfilled, has given a fillip to the move for mobilisation of the entire labour population.**

#### Joshi In Bombay

Significance is attached to the visit of Mr. N. M. Joshi who is expected in Bombay on Friday morning. Serious attempts are expected to be made to prevail upon him to put in one more effort to bring the millowners' and labour representatives together. The Millowners, however do not seem to feel that intervention from any individual or organisation would be of any use so long as they do not realise that the employers have gone to the last limit in the matter of concessions to workers.

#### Millowners Fully Prepared

A spokesman of the Millowners told a "Chronicle" representative that the employers would never take the initiative of seeking the intervention of any individual or organisation.

"We are not worried about the situation" he declared, "we were fully prepared for this eventuality. We have gone to the last limit of concessions. Under no circumstance could we go further."

Labour representatives expressed that there was no question of recalling the strike unless the original demand for 25 per cent was conceded.

The Bombay Provincial Congress Committee is not prepared to intervene unless both the parties express a desire for its mediation.

#### Appeal To Governor

A statement has been issued by Messrs. D. K. Jagtap and J. S. Savant appealing to the Governor to intervene.

INTENSIVE PICKETING

There was intensive picketing to-day by both men and women workers particularly in the Naguji Sayaji Wadi. While the majority of the workers spent the morning in devotional prayers in connection with Maha Shivratri, a special batch of pickets marched to the mill gates punctually at 6-30 a. m.

The picketing at the Century Mill, Elphinstone Mill, Textile Mill and Globe Mill continued without a break till 10-30 a. m.

Though the mills were closed, to-day being a Hindu festival, there was an apprehension in the minds of workers that an attempt would be made in some mills at requisitioning blacklegs.

LABOUR AREA QUIET

The labour area was comparatively quiet. The police were posted only at strategic points.

MEETING AT MADANPURA

"To-day you have your well-deserved rest but make it a point to be active and alert to-morrow", exhorted Mr. Mahomed Shahid, one of the Vice-Presidents of the Girni Kamgar Union at a meeting of the strikers held this morning at Madanpura.

If the millowners persisted in their attitude, the entire industrial life of the city would be brought to a standstill, declared the speaker. He felt sure that the Railway workers and other employees would down their tools in sympathy with their millworkers.

Jobbers and head jobbers in several mills have been busy persuading workers to accept their wages for the last month which are to be paid on Friday.

The Girni Kamgar Union has given a mandate that no worker should receive the wages unless the War Council gives them instructions to do so.

## Governor Must Intervene

### *Convene Conference Of Owners And Workers*

The following statement has been issued by Messrs. D. K. Jagtap, M. L. A., L. G. Pradhan, Advocate, J. S. Savant, Advocate, leaders of the Bombay Mill Workers' Union, regarding the mill workers' strike.

Even upto the last moment, we entertained the hope that there would be a satisfactory settlement of the workers' reasonable demand for dearness allowance. But not realising the gravity of situation the millowners stood firm and now we are in the midst of the strike, the success of which, must have come as a great surprise to the millowners.

There is a widespread feeling amongst the workers that their demand for 15 per cent allowance was just and reasonable and that they had no alternative but to launch this strike.

**Avoid Hardship.**

It may be that the struggle would be long and would entail hardship but the present temper of the workers is to meet the situation forced upon them and to make the strike successful. The unfortunate result will naturally be to paralyse the industry and for the workers to undergo sufferings. There will also be a general economic dislocation in the City.

The attitude of the leaders of the Bombay Mill Workers' Union has been always conciliatory. But since no settlement was in sight, they have no alternative but to support, the strike. In a fight against the employers, the workers are always at a disadvantage and if the fight is allowed to continue, the ultimate result will naturally depend on many factors. But the fact that more than 90 per cent of workers have spontaneously joined the strike shows the extent of the feeling behind it.

**Appeal To Governor.**

We consider that it is the duty of the public spirited people and the Government to see that the dispute is not fought to the bitter end. It would be an act of farsighted policy if His Excellency the Governor were to call a conference of the repesentatives of both the millowners and the workers with a view to arrive at a satisfactory settlement.

Every attempt must be made to reach a settlement before the strike fever reaches boiling point.

The interests of the industry, the workers and the community are at stake and they call for a serious and liberal-hearted attempt to put an end to the situ-

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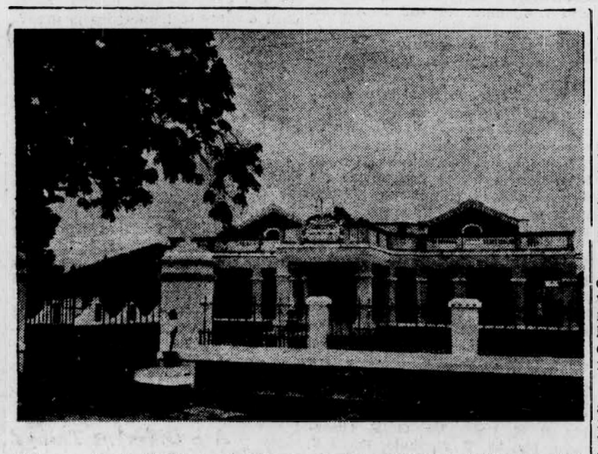

**The main building of Women's Hospital and Maternity Home, Wadhwan.**

The Report of the Women's Hospital and Maternity Home, Wadhwan Camp, for 1939 says:—

Work done by Hospital and Home includes:—

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| Patients' Attendance | 16535 |
| Indoor Labour Cases | 109 |
| Indoor Medical & Surgical Cases | 127 |
| Operations, major & minor | 33 |

The total income from all sources, from the year 1934 to the end of 1939, amounted to Rs. 95,582-12-9 and the total Expenditure during the same period to Rs. 72610-3-6. The income during the year under report was Rs. 8344-0-6 and the expenditure Rs. 5889-6-3.

It is the aim and ambition of the Committee to raise a Permanent Maintenance Fund of one hundred thousand Rupees, in order to make the Institution self-supporting. In the meantime, the current expenses are met from Annual Contributions, Interest on invested funds, Cash donations Members' Fees and Hospital earnings.

The Report concludes with an appeal for funds.

## 'NO DRIVE AGAINST CHRISTIANITY'

### *Ramaswami Iyer's Denial: Catholicity Of Hindu Religious Spirit*

TRIVANDRUM, March 6.

A vehement denial that there was an "organised drive" in the Travancore State against Christianity was made by Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer, Dewan of Travancore at a public meeting under the auspices of the Sri Ramakrishna Mission.—A. P.

## INDIA PREFERS BRITISH CARS

NEW DELHI, March 7.

A remarkable increase in the imports of British cars into India during January and December compared with the same months a year ago is a feature of the import statistic.—A. P.

## INDO-BRITISH LAND-'PLANE SERVICES

### *Curtailed To One A Week, Each Way*

CALCUTTA, March 7.

With immediate effect, Imperial Airways are reducing their landplane services between England and India to one a week each way.

There have hitherto been two weekly landplane services in addition to the two flying boat services which continue through to Australia.

The flying boat services remain unaltered.—A. P.

### Malaya Indians Help Madras Congress House Fund

MADRAS, March 6.

Mr. G. Parthasarathi, Managing Editor of the "Tamil Nesan", Kuala Lampur, has forwarded to the 'Hindu' a cheque for Rs. 4,000 being the contribution from Indians in Malaya particularly Tamils for the Congress House Reconstruction Fund started by the 'Hindu.'—A. P.

## Five Passengers Shot Dead

### *ARMED GANGSTERS AMBUSH BUS ON BANNU-DERA ROAD: POLICE OFFICER & WEALTHY CONTRACTOR KIDNAPPED*

*DERA ISMAIL KHAN, March 7.*

*A PASSENGER BUS WAS AMBUSHED BY TRANSBORDER RAIDERS NEAR BANNU ON THE BANNU-DERA ROAD THIS MORNING.*

*FIVE PERSONS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED AND TWO KIDNAPPED THE LATTER INCLUDED A SUB-INSPECTOR OF POLICE AND A WEALTHY HINDU CONTRACTOR OF DERA ISMAIL KHAN.*

Of the five passengers shot dead, three are minor boys. Three were also injured. One Police Officer and one contractor were kidnapped. The bus, which was carrying 28 passengers, left Bannu for Dera Ismail Khan at 9 a.m.

It was held up by a gang of armed raiders at a distance of four miles from Bannu city. A volley of shots fired upon it, resulted in eight casualties. Chandrabhan Sapra, a contractor of Dera Ismail Khan, Mushtaq Ahmad, a servant of Mr. D. E. Gale, Inspector-General of Police, Zaman, a student of the Government High School, Bannu and two sons of Sherali, an officer's munshi, were shot dead. Mohd Baran, third Master of the Government High School, Dera Ismail Khan, Sherali, an officer's munshi and Alladad, a glass maker of Dera Ismail Khan received injuries. The condition of two of the injured is reported to be serious. they received bullet wounds in the chest.

TWO KIDNAPPED

Lal Chand, a contractor of Idak in Northern Waziristan, and Khisrokhan Assistant sub-Inspector of Naurang Sarai, police station were kidnapped.

The gang is reported to have been 35 strong of whom some six were sitting on either side of the road while others concealed themselves in adjacent fields. They immediately appeared when the lorry was intercepted by their companions. Lal Chand, contractor, and the Police Officer were both armed with revolvers, but could not get the opportunity to use them. It was convoy day and a military convoy had just preceded the bus. But for convoy days, the Bannu-Dera Ismail Khan road remains officially closed for traffic.

Seven women were also travelling in the lorry but they occupied the rearmost seats and were not hurt.

On receipt of information, the police and the Frontier Constabulary parties were despatched in directions likely to be taken by the raiders. The Police and Frontier Constabulary posts 'en route' to tribal territory were informed and they are taking steps to intercept the entry of the gang into tribal territory.—A. P.

### Gang Move Towards Kurran River?

The gang is reported to have moved towards the south and taken the direction of the bed of the Kurran River.

The property of the passengers remained untouched.

Mr. D. E. Gale, Inspector-General of Police with his wife had preceded his servant, by 20 minutes only in his private car. Mushtaq Ahmad, their servant, was following them with their luggage in the bus.—A. P.

## *FRONTIER CONSTABULARY*

### *More Platoons To Be Raised*

PESHAWAR, March 7.

It is understood that in addition to sixteen platoons of the Frontier Constabulary, which have been raised last month, it has been decided by the Frontier Government to raise four more platoons from among the classified tribes from the borders of the settled districts.

It is stated that if necessary, a few more platoons may also be raised.—A. P.

### "Inspection Commission" Visits Kashgar

NEW DELHI, March 7.

A report from Kashgar says that pamphlets have been distributed there describing the duties of the "inspection commission" which recently visited the town from Urumchi. The duties were:—a. Strengthening of National forces: b. Inauguration of new reforms as rapidly as possible; c. Improvement of Political Social and Economic conditions; d. Detection of enemies of the existing regime.—A. P.

### QUIET EXPECTED IN AHMADZAI SALIENT

PESHAWAR, Mar. 7.

Since the beginning of the operations in the Ahmadzai Salient, a fortnight ago, there has been some improvement in the situation in the Southern Districts. It is calculated according to an unofficial report received in Peshawar to-day that after offering resistance and having been defeated the tribesmen will fall back on friendship and peace.

Rsherzaman, a brother of the Faqir of Ipi, was last reported at Larima. It is stated that Mehrdil intended to proceed to Larima to consult Sher Zaman about the smooth inflow of reinforcements in men and rations.

Reports have also been received about the activities of certain outlaws.

Mir Sahib Khan, dangerous fugitive from Justice, who belonged to Banikhel, is reported to have met with justice when a bullet passed through his heart in the Gumatti Tangi area. Mir Sahib Khan was one of the closest associates of Gul Nawaz, who was wounded in Lima Hills recently.

Mamir Khan, a villager of Madev, is reported to have been shot

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## Edgar Wallace Detective Story Day By Day

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